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THE FIRST WORD

THREE'S A CROWD

DEPENDING ON WHO you believe, it was former Laker Byron Scott or his teammate Wes Matthews who coined "three-peat." What's not in dispute is that their coach, Pat Riley, turned it into coin. Riley's private company trademarked the term in 1988, following L.A.'s back-to-back NBA titles, and Riley cashed in thanks to subsequent successes – and merchandise sales – of the Chicago Bulls (1996-98), New York Yankees (1998-2000) and the Lakers (2000-02).

Riley has yet to receive a cheque from an NHL licensee. He had his first chance the same year his Lakers were going for the triple. The Oilers had just steamrolled to a second straight Cup, going 16-2 in the playoffs and appearing invincible. Then, that August, the unimaginable happened: Wayne Gretzky was traded to Los Angeles, and the dream died. The Oilers made it to the playoffs but blew a 3-1 series lead to…Gretzky and the Kings. Salt, meet wound.

No NHL club has gone Cup[3] since the Islanders went Cup[4] from 1980-83. There have been three other hopefuls beyond the '88 Oilers, and all three were favorites in the post-season:

1985-86 Oilers: Gretzky set the single-season points record (215), Paul Coffey forged a new standard for goals by a defenseman (48) and the Oilers won the Presidents' Trophy. They faced a Calgary team, which was 30 points their lesser, in the second round. A cakewalk became a pie in the face after Edmonton's Steve Smith notoriously banked a shot off Grant Fuhr and into his own goal for the game-winner/loser.

1992-93 Penguins: Some think this was the best Penguins team of all, or would've been had they finished the job. They started the season with a 10-game unbeaten streak and added an all-time best 17-gamer later in the year for fun. Mario Lemieux won the Art Ross Trophy despite missing a quarter of the season, and the club cruised to the Presidents' Trophy. A Round 2 meeting with the Islanders looked like a huge mismatch, especially considering New York's best player, Pierre Turgeon, was injured. Unfortunately for the Pens, David Volek wasn't, and he scored the Game 7 OT-winner to shock the hockey world.

1998-99 Red Wings: A team that went the previous two playoffs without facing an elimination game added Chris Chelios, Wendel Clark, Ulf Samuelsson and Bill Ranford at the trade deadline for their three-peat quest. They gelled at the right time, going 9-2-1 to end the season, then swept Anaheim in Round 1. Round 2 began with two wins in Denver, and ended with an implosion, punctuated by a 45-foot shot in Game 5 by tough guy Jeff Odgers that eluded goalie Chris Osgood, who'd been rushed back from an ankle injury. The run was done.

So what does all of this mean for the 2017-18 Penguins? Simply put, they're facing mission near-impossible. Anyone who picks them, like us, is going way out on a perilous limb (see pg. 42). So many things have to go right for an NHL team – and wrong for their challengers – to win one Cup in this cap-driven era of parity, let alone three in a row. An injury, a bad bounce, a failed trade, complacency, fatigue; take your pick. It's like trying to climb K2, after you've just scaled Kilimanjaro and Mt. Everest. Now there's an idea. If the Penguins win again, we could call it a three-peak™.

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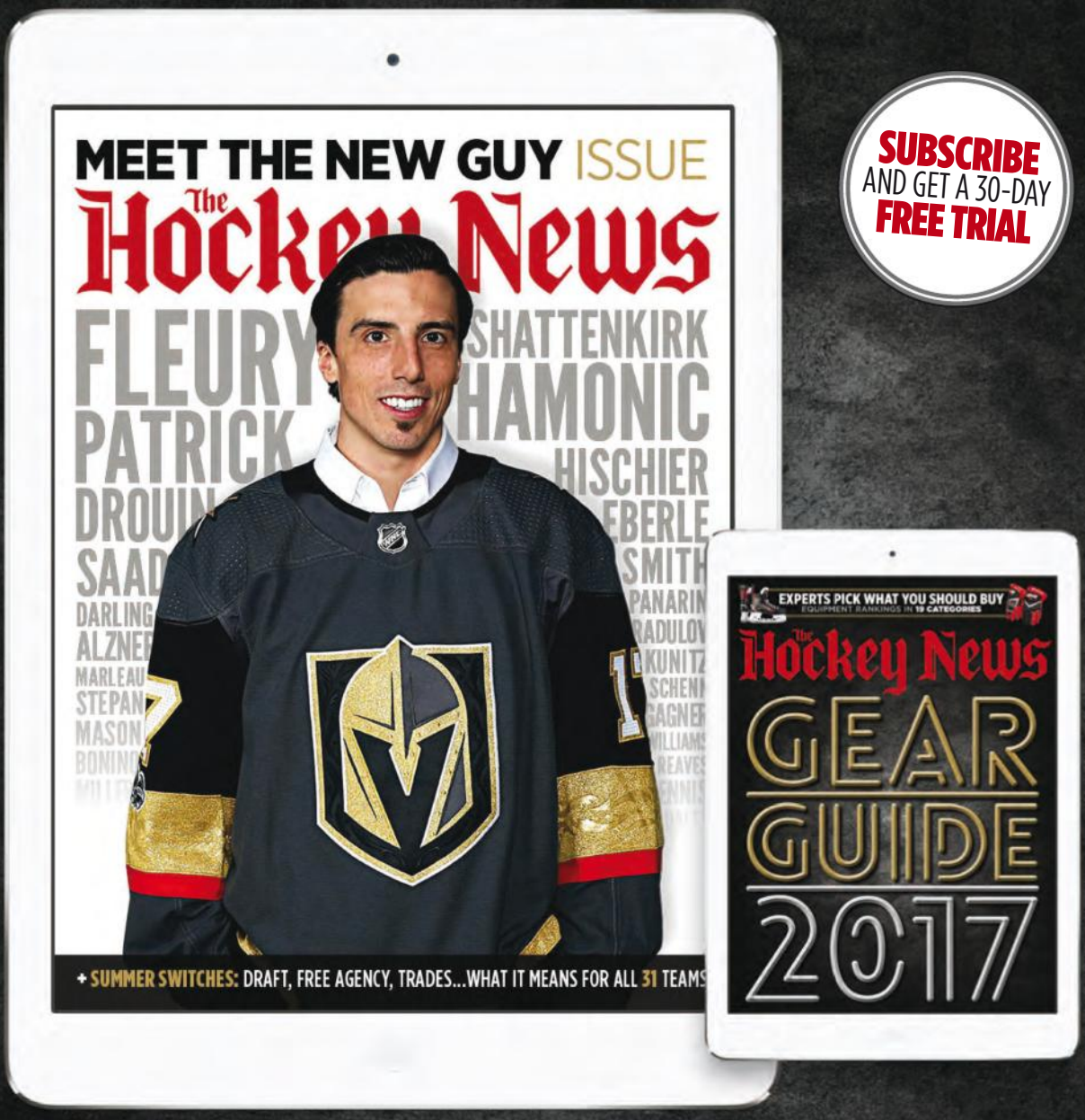

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A THOUSAND WORDS

A CUP FOR THE KIDS

Kris Letang takes time during his day with the Stanley Cup to visit kids at the Sainte-Justine children's hospital in his hometown of Montreal.

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Are the Capitals finished? Will we ever see smaller goalie pads? The game's burning questions make for great 2017-18 plotlines

BY KEN CAMPBELL

WHILE WE HAVE a moment, let's harken to the good old days of the Original 30. The NHL will never be the same, now that the little fraternity is growing. What's next, Seattle? Well, if they ever get their arena situation sorted out, the NHL will perhaps begin holding its breath again. Maybe the league will be faced with that very possibility this season. Regardless, there's no shortage of storylines in 2017-18. Here are some in A-to-Z form:

AUSTON: You could argue that, for the first 99 years of their existence, the Maple Leafs never had a true superstar in their lineup. Then in Year No. 100, Auston Matthews showed up. He'll be looking to build on the best rookie season in franchise history by moving into the NHL's elite, and if that happens, he'll be paid like it.

BOUNCE-BACKS: There's no shortage of players looking to redeem themselves in 2017-18. Alex Galchenyuk is as good a place to start, joined by Anze Kopitar, John Tavares, Bobby Ryan, Tyler Johnson and Jamie Benn.

CURFEW: So who will be the first NHL player busted for a curfew violation in Las Vegas this season? When the Golden Knights landed their franchise, many observers thought they would have a chance to go 41-0-0 on home ice. But if players can get through Nashville with their livers intact, they'll be able to handle Las Vegas.

DALLAS: There might not be a more intriguing team in the NHL than the Stars. Everything old behind the bench is new again with Ken Hitchcock at the controls, and, more importantly, it was widely believed that GM Jim Nill won the summer with his bold player acquisitions.

ESCROW: When it comes to banes of existence for NHL players, it doesn't get much bigger than escrow. It could be the biggest threat to labor peace in a couple of years. The league argues that it's impossible to do things any other way in a system where revenues fluctuate from year to year, but that doesn't assuage the players. To say they hate it would be putting it mildly.

FLORIDA: Actually, the league's two southernmost teams bear watching in 2017-18. Neither Florida nor Tampa Bay made the playoffs last season despite high hopes. The Panthers appear to have hit the reset button, while the Lightning continue to push for a long playoff run in a wide-open Eastern Conference.

GOALIE GEAR: After promising to streamline the stoppers' pads last season, the league managed only to get pants in line, and it had virtually no effect on the number of goals scored. At the time, the NHL said a complete overhaul would be done for the 2017-18 season, but don't hold your breath waiting for the league, the NHL Players' Association and the manufacturers all get on the same page in time.

HURRICANES: Since winning the Stanley Cup in 2006, Carolina has made the playoffs once. But with the summer the Hurricanes had under GM Ron Francis and the stable of young players they've developed, that will change this season. If loading up on former Blackhawks players counts for anything, the Canes are on the rise.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY: One of the most underreported aspects of commissioner Gary Bettman's state-of-the-union address during the Cup final was that the league has essentially pulled the plug on the World Cup for 2020 because of uncertainty surrounding the collective bargaining agreement. At one point, it looked as though the league and players were headed toward a comprehensive international schedule that included the Olympics, World Cup and a Ryder Cup-type of competition, but all of those have been scrapped or face uncertain futures.

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JACK: The forgotten man in the Connor McDavid-Auston Matthews hysteria is Jack Eichel, whose second NHL season was marred by injury and the Sabres' misery. With a new coach, GM and improved team, will Eichel stay healthy and make the jump into the stratosphere of truly elite NHL players?

KARLSSON: He had the best all-around season of his career in 2016-17, and it wasn't enough to win the Norris. Look for Erik Karlsson to be very much in the Norris debate again. And if he plays the way he did in the playoffs, the Hart debate as well.

LAINE: At a time when there is a ton of young talent coming out of Finland, nobody is as dynamic as Jets sniper Patrik Laine. He missed eight games with a concussion and still managed 36 goals as an 18-year-old. Is a 50-goal season on the horizon?

MCDAVID: Even though Connor McDavid's eight-year, $100-million extension doesn't kick in until next season, his signing has created an enormous amount of hype and expectation. He'll live up to it and make the Oilers a Stanley Cup contender "in short order" as GM Peter Chiarelli predicted when McDavid signed.

NICO & NOLAN: Nico Hischier, the first Swiss player drafted first overall in NHL history, rose from relative unknown to crown jewel in one year, overtaking Nolan Patrick, who was long expected to go No. 1. Which rookie will make a bigger immediate impact? Nico will inherit a major role right away on the talent-starved Devils, while Patrick, a big two-way pivot, lands on a deeper depth chart in Philly but also in a more successful team environment.

OLYMPICS: Now that the NHL has taken a pass on showcasing its product to the world in a huge Asian market, it will be up to each country to form a national team the way it did prior to the 1998 Games. The Russians, who have failed spectacularly during the NHL era, enter the Pyeongchang tourney as the prohibitive favorite for gold.

PRONGER: One of the most outspoken players in the history of the game, Chris Pronger has finally been removed from his contract obligations as a player. So he left the NHL's front office and jumped on the fast track to team management with a job as senior advisor to Panthers GM Dale Tallon. Pronger will put his stamp on this team early and decisively.

QUENNEVILLE: GM Stan Bowman promised big changes after the Blackhawks lost in Round 1 for the second straight season. Some believed even coach Joel Quenneville, a man many think is the best coach in the game, could be gone. In the end, only assistant Mike Kitchen was let go, but it's a situation worth watching.

REDEMPTION: Any notion that teams are not just crossing their fingers and hoping when it comes to goaltending should be shot down immediately. Steve Mason, Brian Elliott and Mike Smith were all goalies who had subpar seasons yet were coveted by other teams. They all need to be better to make those moves worthwhile.

SLASHING: It's become an epidemic in the NHL, but rectifying it seems simple. Just call the slashing rules as they're written in the rulebook. The GMs discussed it at their meeting at the draft, and there's an appetite to do something about slashes close to the hands, but nothing formal was presented.

TRIFECTA: The Penguins did what most people thought was impossible by winning back-to-back Stanley Cups. After losing some key components of their roster, can they become the first team to win three NHL titles in a row since the Islanders dynasty of the early 1980s?

UNIFORMS: Adidas and the NHL unveiled the new AdiZero Form the Future sweaters (yes, they're sweaters, not jerseys) that all 31 teams will wear this season. Along with the new-look Vegas Golden Knights, a total of 13 teams have altered their appearance.

VIGILANTE: Speaking of the Penguins, they used a first-round pick to get Ryan Reaves, a useful fourth-line player who will be there to keep the team's stars from being abused. They did this because they have no confidence in the league doing it for them. Pittsburgh GM Jim Rutherford actually predicted some of their games might become, and we quote, "a s--- show."

WASHINGTON...OR WINDOW: In either case, it applies. The Capitals had a, well, interesting off-season, with GM Brian MacLellan admitting his team faced championship-team contract decisions without the championships. The window to win a Stanley Cup is closing fast, if it hasn't been slammed shut already.

XEROSERE: "The succession or communities which originate in extremely dry habitat such as a sand desert..." is how this word is defined. Two of those communities are Vegas and Arizona, teams that bear watching for entirely different reasons. The Golden Knights are new and exciting while the Coyotes are sick of the perpetual rebuild and finally looking to win now.

Y2K: Ready to feel old? This year's draft class is the first of the new millennium, featuring kids who were born in 2000. Early contenders for No. 1 are defenseman Rasmus Dahlin and right winger Andrei Svechnikov, who dominated in the USHL and will now play for the OHL's Barrie Colts.

ZETTERBERG: GM Ken Holland said Henrik Zetterberg's number "is going to the rafters" once he retires and has no interest in moving him, even though Zetterberg is 36 with four years left on his deal and the Red Wings are in rebuild mode. 'Z' remains productive and provides great leadership, but he's facing some lean years for the first time in his accomplished career.

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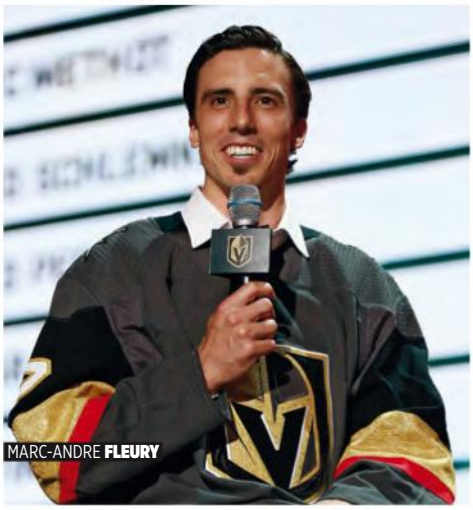
WHAT'S *New*

BY RYAN KENNEDY

UNIFORMS

WITH THE VEGAS Golden Knights reveal used as a jump-off, the NHL unveiled new uniforms for all 31 franchises, designed by new provider Adidas. The ADIZERO jerseys were constructed to be up to 19 percent lighter than the previous NHL sweaters, with an emphasis on the crest. Clima technology was instituted for a cooler fit, with a streamline silhouette and materials that maximize air flow lending a hand. Tougher fabrics were also put through burst and abrasion tests to make sure the jerseys can stand up to the rigors of an NHL workload. In terms of design, there wasn't a lot of change, though teams such as Minnesota and San Jose look particularly good.



MARC-ANDRE **FLEURY**

VEGAS

THE NHL GAINS its 31st franchise this season with the Vegas Golden Knights ready to go. An expansion draft netted the league's newest team some big names such as Marc-Andre Fleury, James Neal and Jason Garrison, not to mention some future goodies via trade (Shea Theodore and Alex Tuch being the most prominent).

Vegas will be the eighth team in the Pacific Division, leaving the Central as the only division with seven squads. The Los Angeles Kings, Anaheim Ducks and Arizona Coyotes all seem like natural geographic rivals, and no one's going to give the little brother a break.

Perhaps the most intriguing aspect of the first Vegas lineup is the level of expected transiency. The Knights traded away several of their expansion selections shortly after choosing them, while many of their prominent pickups (Neal, David Perron and Jonathan Marchessault among them) are eligible for unrestricted free agency next summer. So don't be surprised if Vegas is active around the trade deadline, dumping bodies in favor of future assets.

Vegas will play its home games at T-Mobile Arena, located just off the city's famous Strip. Every joke in the world has already been made about the Knights' home-ice advantage, but at least the players have already been briefed on life in the city that doesn't involve towering neon and novelty-sized booze containers.

As for visiting opponents? They better remember to mind their manners in Sin City and stay straight for game time. "You gotta be ready when the puck drops," Marchessault said. "And we'll be ready."

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COACHES

THERE HAS BEEN a lot of turnover in bench personnel, with eight different franchises hiring new coaches. Vegas had no choice, of course, and in nabbing popular players' coach **GERARD GALLANT**, the Golden Knights took one of the best options out of the field early. Gallant's exit from Florida was seen as a colossal misstep by the Panthers, and in Vegas he'll be reunited with former Panthers players Reilly Smith and Jonathan Marchessault. Another positive influence will be **PHIL HOUSLEY** in Buffalo, where the former Sabres defenseman returns with Stanley Cup final experience from Nashville. Housley has had a quick ascent in the coaching world, first making a splash by leading Team USA to a gold medal at the 2013 World Junior Championship. Since then, he has helped the Predators ice one of the most impressive defense corps in the NHL. And wouldn't you know it? Buffalo needs a lot of help on the back end.

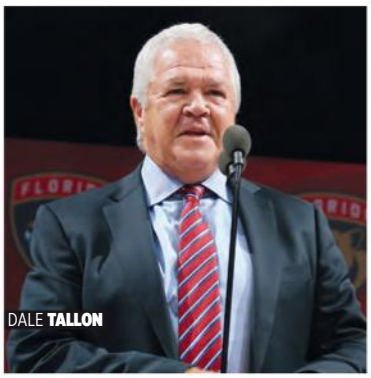
PHIL **HOUSLEY**

KEN HITCHCOCK brings structure and defensive acumen to Dallas, where the Stars sorely need such a man, while **JOHN STEVENS** also brings great detail work to Los Angeles. Both the Stars and Kings are looking to rebound in a big way this year.

BOB BOUGHNER will be calculated in Florida, and he'll get on players if they need a push. Similarly, **RICK TOCCHET** impressed the Arizona brass with his "steely presence" and command of a room. Winning the past two Cups as an assistant coach in Pittsburgh doesn't hurt, either. **DOUG WEIGHT**, another well-respected former NHLer, shed the "interim" tag in taking over the Islanders. **TRAVIS GREEN**, another former NHLer, finally gets his crack at a big-league bench in Vancouver. He's known for his teaching ability, which is exactly what the Canucks' young talent needs.

GENERAL MANAGERS

TECHNICALLY, Dale Tallon got reshuffled back to his old job in Florida, but the Panthers need the veteran hockey mind to get down to business right away. The franchise has struggled to find an identity lately, but giving Tallon his GM post back at least brings a sense of order. Now the mission is to get the Panthers back in the playoffs – something that Florida has done just once in the past five tries. Another scuffling franchise in the Atlantic Division is Buffalo, and the Sabres will head into the new season with **JASON BOTTERILL** at the helm. Botterill made a name for himself in Pittsburgh and has already bolstered Buffalo's sad blueline.


DALE **TALLON**

Speaking of defense, **ROB BLAKE** wasn't too bad at that position during his playing days, but now he'll have to defend his personnel decisions as GM of the Kings. It's been a swift fall from grace for L.A., but the reset is on, and Blake's priority will be to find a formula that gets the team back into the playoffs. Los Angeles has a lot of vets on big-money contracts, so he'll have to be deft in his maneuvering.

If he needs to make a move, perhaps he'll call **GEORGE MCPHEE**, who officially has a roster to manage in Las Vegas now. McPhee has already presided over an expansion draft that netted him some nice future assets, while his scouting staff absolutely owned the entry draft, getting high skill with three first-round selections. But here comes the hard part: McPhee and his fellow Golden Knights execs must now form an identity and a core in Vegas, and that won't be easy. The team is very weak down the middle, and it's not easy to procure top-line NHL centers. But that's the fun of building, right?

LITTLE CAESARS ARENA

THE DETROIT RED WINGS finally have a new home. As iconic as Joe Louis Arena was, the old gal was definitely showing her age (born in 1979) and the Wings needed an upgrade. In Little Caesars Arena, Detroit has a showstopper. The rink will feature the world's largest center-hung scoreboard, with four under-mount displays for fans who are closer to the ice. The new facility, which will seat 20,000 for hockey and also serve as the home of the NBA's Pistons, is part of an enormous 50-block development in the city called The District Detroit, which mixes venues, restaurants and housing in five newly created neighborhoods downtown.

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Rookie REPORT

The league's top freshmen won't necessarily be 2017 draftees. Watch out for the older crowd

BY RYAN KENNEDY

WE'VE GOT A wide-open race this year, folks. Whereas 2016-17 was always going to be dominated by Auston Matthews and Patrik Laine, expect "older" rookies to play a bigger role in this season's Calder Trophy chase. Will Nico Hischier and Nolan Patrick be in the mix? Sure. But there's also a host of players who torched the NCAA ranks and/or have already seen some pro hockey who should definitely be on your radar this fall. Let's take a look at the early rookie of the year candidates.

NICO HISCHIER

NEW JERSEY, C

Hischier, 2017's No. 1 overall draft pick, will be expected to step in and provide some punch. But the Swiss can't-miss has the fortune of going to a Devils team that should afford him ample opportunity. With a combination of skill, smarts and motor, he typically does better than expected under pressure. That the Devils have some talent to play off (Taylor Hall being the most prominent) means Hischier won't have to do everything himself to create offense.

THOMAS CHABOT

OTTAWA, D

The Senators are high on Chabot – heck, who wouldn't be? – and the slick, puck-moving D-man has the chance to be an impact player on a blueline already blessed with Erik Karlsson. That cover will allow Chabot to hone his game in a good situation, and the youngster has figured out some good pro habits from the time he spent with the organization last season before he was returned to junior. His homework results? An MVP nod at the world juniors and a QMJHL title with Saint John.

CHARLIE MCAVOY

BOSTON, D

Soon, the Zdeno Chara era will end in Boston. And while filling his skates is impossible, the Bruins can still torture on the back end in a different, more mobile way thanks to players like Torey Krug and McAvoy. The ex-Boston University star already has a signature performance at the world juniors under his belt and some NHL playoff experience. He also has a fearlessness that bodes well for the future, as he combines it with excellent skating to break the puck out of the zone and create offense in a way that really works in the NHL right now.

CLAYTON KELLER

ARIZONA, C

If there were an heir apparent to Patrick Kane, it would be Keller. And fortunately for Arizona fans, they'll get to see him play against the Blackhawks wizard. Keller, along with Dylan Strome, represents the bold future of the Coyotes, which promises to be young and skilled. Keller has already dipped his toes in the pros, but this year we'll get the full treatment. His combination of creativity and dexterous hands make him a treat to watch with the puck.

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JOEL ERIKSSON EK

MINNESOTA, C

Getting shuttled around isn't usually a good sign, but Eriksson Ek made an impact wherever he travelled last season. He showed well early with Minnesota, then played forcefully for Sweden at the WJC. He was excellent back in Sweden for Farjestad, then came back to the Wild in the playoffs. With his size, two-way game and competitive nature, he brings a ton of goodies to the Wild. And now they've got more room on their roster after jettisoning some expensive veterans in the off-season.

NOLAN PATRICK

PHILADELPHIA, C

Patrick is one of the season's biggest X-factors. He spent the early part of the summer recovering from a second sports hernia surgery, an operation that was supposed to put his health issues to bed. Patrick joins a Flyers forward corps that already has a lot of talent (Giroux, Voracek, Simmonds, etc.), so a scoring role isn't guaranteed, but his defensive game is advanced enough he could contribute immediately without having to amass a pile of points.

MIKHAIL SERGACHEV

TAMPA BAY, D

You don't just trade Jonathan Drouin away for cap relief. Sure, it helped matters in Tampa Bay, but getting Sergachev in return was crucial to a Lightning team firmly in its Stanley Cup window. While Sergachev doesn't have to be a star right away, he does have the size, two-way game and skating ability to be an effective NHLer for the Bolts. The fact he's coming off a Memorial Cup championship with the OHL's Windsor Spitfires adds to his impressive resume.

OWEN TIPPETT

FLORIDA, RW

There's always one kid who surprisingly goes straight from the draft stage to the NHL (last year it was Arizona's Jakob Chychrun) and Tippett is a good bet to be 2017's entry. The Panthers have already said the high-scoring winger will be given a chance to crack the roster right away, and with a dearth of talent on the wings, they could use him. Tippett has NHL size and a heavy shot, so as long as he can keep up on the defensive end, he'll be an instant contributor.

TYSON JOST

COLORADO, C

It's going to be pretty messy in Colorado again. But with chaos comes opportunity, and Jost is the type of prospect who can seize upon that. An advanced player who was excellent in his one and only campaign with the University of North Dakota, Jost joined the Avs late in the season and didn't look out of place in six games. His versatility will help him find a place in the lineup, and since the Avs are in the midst of a treacherous rebuild, there's no reason not to give the kid space to grow.

BROCK BOESER

VANCOUVER, RW

Hope is starting to spring in Vancouver, and Boeser is one of the gems making it possible. After an exemplary career at the University of North Dakota that included a national title as a freshman, Boeser turned pro and didn't miss a beat, pumping in four goals during a nine-game NHL trial. Finding chemistry with Bo Horvat was a great sign, and Boeser's combination of size and shooting acumen make him the type of threat Vancouver hasn't had in a while.

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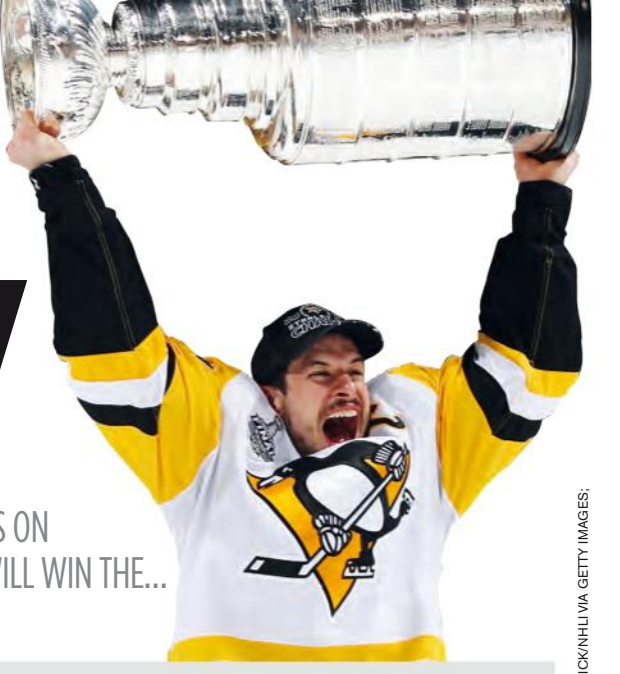

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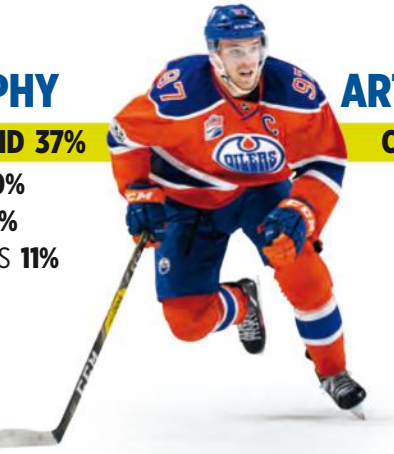

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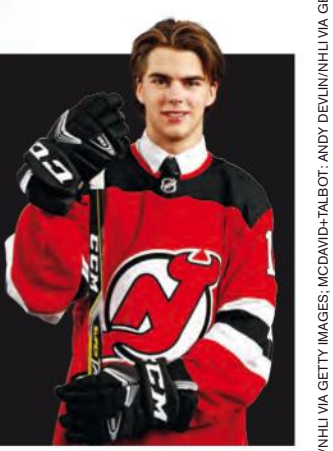

NICO HISCHIER	**18%**
NOLAN PATRICK	16%
THOMAS CHABOT	15%
CHARLIE MCAVOY	11%
MATHEW BARZAL	9%
OTHERS	31%

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CAREY PRICE	BRADEN HOLTBY	MATT MURRAY	SERGEI BOBROVSKY	CAM TALBOT	OTHERS
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Free Agent WATCH

Yes, the draft is the best way to build, but who likes waiting? A solid UFA signing has an immediate impact with no downside. Here are the top five from this summer and five to watch for 2018

BY RYAN KENNEDY

2017-18: Call it the Season of Reason. For once, teams weren't falling over each other on July 1st with wallets splayed open, ready to toss a fortune at anyone on the free market. Similarly, players didn't just take as much money and term as possible; they considered fit and flexibility. Sure, there were some overpays, but not many that could be considered tragic. Let's look at the best value signings.

KEVIN SHATTENKIRK, NY RANGERS

Make no mistake, Shattenkirk, the most coveted free agent on the board, could've taken more term and more cash. But the New York native loved the fit in Manhattan, so he accepted a bit of a pre-emptive hometown discount. The best part? He's the right-handed shot partner that captain Ryan McDonagh needs on the first pairing.

CONTRACT: 4 YEARS, $6.6 MILLION AAV

BRIAN BOYLE, NEW JERSEY

The Devils are likely destined for another season or two of hurt, but bringing in the towering presence of Boyle – both literally and figuratively – adds leadership and stability. The veteran will be a great dressing room presence for youngsters such as Nico Hischier and Pavel Zacha while serving as a key bottom-six forward and penalty killer. And hey, if it doesn't work out, his contract makes him enticing at the trade deadline.

CONTRACT: 2 YEARS, $2.7 MILLION AAV

TREVOR DALEY, DETROIT

Like the Devils, the Red Wings are entering dark and foreboding territory – a rebuild. In Daley, Detroit gets a mobile, puck-moving defenseman who has also been part of two consecutive Stanley Cup championships in Pittsburgh. That kind of experience will help a Wings roster that will grow up around Daley as the franchise endures what will be a bumpy period.

CONTRACT: 3 YEARS, $3.1 MILLION AAV

MICHAEL DEL ZOTTO, VANCOUVER

There is a lot of opportunity in Vancouver right now. The team has some good young kids poking up, but they'll need support and Del Zotto fits the bill. He comes to the West Coast cheaply, but his puck-moving abilities will be valuable as the Canucks attempt to find their way back to NHL relevancy.

CONTRACT: 2 YEARS, $3 MILLION AAV

MARTIN HANZAL, DALLAS

We know the Stars are going for it. And while the contract for UFA signing Alex Radulov (five years at $6.25 AAV) might make fans squeamish in a few years, Hanzal comes in at a reasonable term and dollar amount. The big pivot is the perfect third-line threat for Dallas, and he'll still be a solid NHLer when the contract expires.

CONTRACT: 3 YEARS, $4.7 MILLION AAV

2018-19: There are some absolute titans up for unrestricted free agency next summer – Joe Thornton, Rick Nash, the Sedins – but they're in the twilight stage of their careers. Younger UFAs in the class will have bigger impacts on the field, whether they re-sign with their current squads or test the open market. Who are the top five who will have GMs – and fans – salivating?

JOHN TAVARES, NY ISLANDERS

This is the big one. Speculation has run rampant on J.T. for more than a year already, mostly because the Islanders' arena situation has been such a gong show. Tavares, the team captain and leading man, has been committed to the organization for a long time and has always done more than his share both on and off the ice. But will the latest arena kerfuffle finally push him away?

CURRENT CAP HIT: $5.5 MILLION

JAMES VAN RIEMSDYK, TORONTO

He's been a bargain in Toronto, but that won't last if 'JVR' hits the open market. Since he arrived in the NHL so early, van Riemsdyk, 28, can become a free agent while still in the prime of his career, which makes him an attractive UFA option. Thanks to his size and hands, van Riemsdyk brings a net-front presence most teams could really use.

CURRENT CAP HIT: $4.2 MILLION

KYLE TURRIS, OTTAWA

A solid faceoff man and two-way producer, Turris is underpaid right now and due for a significant raise. He teeters between being a top-line center and a second-line center, depending on the cast around him, but he is undoubtedly Ottawa's top dog. If the Senators want to keep him, it'll cost them.

CURRENT CAP HIT: $3.5 MILLION

CAM ATKINSON, COLUMBUS

Atkinson has seen his production climb steadily the past few seasons and happens to be cresting just when he needs a new contract. Undersized but effective thanks to his speed and hockey sense, he's the type of player who is no longer overlooked by teams, and the Blue Jackets will have to pay a pretty penny to keep him from being lured away by outside suitors.

CURRENT CAP HIT: $3.5 MILLION

JOHN CARLSON, WASHINGTON

The top defenseman available, Carlson gets a bonus push on that alone. He gets another bump for being a right-handed shot, plus his Capitals already have three bluliners under contract for more than $5 million each now and in 2018-19. Can Washington hold on to this two-way gem, or will Carlson continue the exodus out of D.C.?

CURRENT CAP HIT: $4 MILLION

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FANTASTIC FOUR

No Weber, no Suter, no Jones? No problem. Nashville pumps out elite defensemen like the city churns out country hits, and the Predators boast the NHL's best blueline quartet

BY KEN CAMPBELL

NASHVILLE PREDATORS

DAVID POILE IS, by nature, as soft-spoken and unpretentious a person as you're ever likely to meet. But even he's not above the occasional humblebrag. The day before the Stanley Cup final, he stepped out of character for just a moment. "Thirty-five years as a GM, I've only had four coaches," he said. "That's awesome. I'm not sure anyone in any other sport will come close to that." No doubt, but he's gilding the lily just a little. He's actually had five coaches. The Jim Schoenfeld Era must have just slipped his mind. Defensemen? Well, he's gone through a lot more of those, 147 to be exact. He's had everyone from A (Jamie Allison) to Z (Rob Zettler) with the exception of X. He's employed two Brookbanks, two Cotes, two Webers, a John and a Jonathon Blum. He's had Hall of Famers, some very good defensemen, some not-so-good defensemen and some that probably upset his stomach so much he had to reach for an Alexander Sulzer.

Poile has also assembled hockey's version of the Fantastic Four, a group of defensemen without peer in the NHL. With all due respect to Matt Irwin and Yannick Weber, the foursome comprised of Roman Josi, Ryan Ellis, P.K. Subban and Mattias Ekholm were the drivetrain that powered Nashville's catfish-tossing romp to the Stanley Cup final by munching minutes, shutting down some of the game's biggest stars and generally being dynamic at both ends of the ice. Poile has always built his teams on goaltending and defense, and while there is some scoring punch in the lineup now, in the form of Filip Forsberg, Ryan Johansen and Viktor Arvidsson, there's little doubt the men behind the blueline are the real rock, er, country stars in Music City. The Predators attack "with a five-man mentality," according to Ellis, which makes their top-four the most dangerous group of offense-minded defenders in the NHL today.

And to think this blueline once had Ryan Suter, Shea Weber and Seth Jones on it. Suter left via free agency and Weber and Jones through trades, yet the Predators had such a surplus of depth on the blueline that they remained one of the league's elite defending teams, one that was good enough to get to the Cup final without two of the league's premier veteran defenseman and one who is a star in the making. And if you'll indulge Poile one more time, a little more bragging is in order. "It's remarkable, it really is," he said. "We did it. I don't know if I should have done it, but we did it."

With three of the four defensemen under contract for at least the next two seasons – and Josi, Ekholm and Ellis on ridiculously team-friendly deals – the future looks promising for the Predators, who last spring graduated from 19 years of being a plucky underdog to becoming a force on and off the ice. Much will now be expected of them, and there's no reason to think that much won't be delivered by Smashville's Big Four. After some early season bumps in the road in 2016-17, the four meshed into Josi-Ellis and Subban-Ekholm tandems that can play in any situation and thrive. There was a time when the Predators could count on losing every top defenseman whose contract expired, first with Kimmo Timonen in 2007, then Dan Hamhuis in 2010 and Suter in 2012. "It really gives you a sick feeling to your stomach," Poile said. "That's no way to run an organization."

But here's the thing. One player's departure became another's coming-out party. It wasn't until Suter left that Josi emerged as a front-line defenseman and perfect partner for Weber. And the progression of Ekholm and Ellis made it possible for Poile to trade Jones for the No. 1 center the Preds so desperately lacked, though Poile acknowledged he might've been even tougher to move than Weber. "I mean, you have Seth Jones. Perfect." Poile said. "Perfect draft, perfect pick, perfect player. He's only going to play about 20 years in the league. Why are we going to trade Seth Jones? Believe me, I offered Jarmo (Columbus GM Kekalainen) everything and anything on our team not to trade Seth Jones, but we weren't going to win without a No. 1 center, and whether you believe that's Ryan Johansen or not, the point is we weren't going to win without a No. 1 center. You could go all day with Seth Jones and have the best defense, but we weren't going to win. At the moment, it's a deal that has played out correctly for us. But that's a deal that Columbus will never regret, because they got a guy for 20 years."

The Predators have what they want, too, and they like it, as they should. Here's a closer look at Smashville's Fantastic Four and a little about what makes each one tick.

SELF-MADE MAN
Poile earned his GM-of-the-year award by enjoying success in 2016-17 with a team founded largely on his bold moves, from shocking trades to bargain signings.

IT'S REMARKABLE, IT REALLY IS. WE DID IT. I DON'T KNOW IF I SHOULD HAVE, BUT WE DID IT

– GM DAVID POILE ON MAINTAINING AN ELITE BLUELINE

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THE SWISS ARMY KNIFE

ROMAN JOSI

• POILE ACQUISITION NO. 125 •

ACQUIRED: The Predators dealt the 46th and 76th overall picks in the 2008 draft to the Coyotes to move up to No. 38 to take Josi. "Jeff Kealty (Nashville's chief amateur scout) was banging his fist on the table telling us we had to get this guy," said assistant GM Paul Fenton. "As far as Swiss defensemen, everybody was talking about Luca Sbisa (who went 19th), but Jeff liked Roman way more."

AFTER THE MORNING skate before Game 1 of the Stanley Cup final, Roman Josi stood at his stall still half-dressed talking about the man-crush he has on Swiss tennis star Roger Federer. He's met him a couple times and is good friends with his coach, Severin Luthi, and Josi has an encyclopedic knowledge of Federer's career. Josi recalled without hesitation the first of Federer's 93 (and counting) title wins, including his 19 Grand Slams, in 2003 at Wimbledon over Mark Philippoussis when Josi was just 13. Josi, who admitted he'd almost start crying whenever Federer lost, could recall Federer's defeats, too. At Wimbledon in 2010, Josi sat disconsolately in the stands with his friends after watching the No. 1-seeded Federer lose to No. 12-seeded Tomas Berdych in the quarterfinal. "I would say he's my best friend," said Josi with a laugh. "Actually, I think he might be a little creeped out if he knew how much I know about him."

NET PRESENCE
Josi is a tennis fanatic who, naturally, idolizes fellow Swiss star Roger Federer. Josi said he's almost embarrassed by how much he knows about Federer's career.

OFFENSE DRAWS ATTENTION, BUT HIS DEFENSE IS EQUALLY GOOD. HE'S AS CONSISTENT A PLAYER AS THERE IS IN THE NHL

– PETER LAVIOLETTE ON ROMAN JOSI

Like his idol, Josi has a remarkable sense of self. And like Federer, he has an uncanny ability to put disappointing losses in the past immediately. Unlike Federer, though, "I'm terrible at the net. That's why I don't play doubles." He's talking about the net in tennis, of course, because in hockey, whether it's guarding the Predators' net or attacking the opposing one, few do both better than Josi. In fact, coach Peter Laviolette calls Josi, "an excellent 200-foot defenseman" – a term usually reserved for Selke Trophy-caliber forwards. "For me, it's about somebody who's good at any point on the ice, offensively and defensively and any point between that," Laviolette said. "Maybe a lot of times it does refer to a forward, not a guy like (Josi) or Mattias Ekholm who really like to take the puck and can go 200 feet with it. Offense always draws your attention, but I guess what I'm saying is his defense is equally good for me. He's as consistent a player as there is in the National Hockey League."

There was a time not long ago when Josi was looking up the depth chart at Suter and Weber, but when Suter left via free agency in 2012, that moved Josi into his spot alongside Weber. The two thrived as a pairing, and Josi almost matched Weber point-for-point during the next four seasons, with 174 to Weber's 180. The two have different strengths – Josi is more of a puckhandler while Weber has the big shot and a good first pass – but they complemented each other perfectly. After Weber was dealt to Montreal, Josi became a leader last season for the Predators, proving beyond all doubt he wasn't riding anyone's coattails.

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THE BEARD

RYAN ELLIS

• POILE ACQUISITION NO. 126 •

ACQUIRED: With defensemen Victor Hedman and Oliver Ekman-Larsson and (oops) Jared Cowen already selected, the Predators nabbed Ellis at No. 11 overall in the 2009 draft. "When he was still on the board at 11, it was like, 'Write his name down as fast as you can,' " Fenton said.

WHEN BOB BOUGHNER and Warren Rychel were recruiting Ryan Ellis to play major junior in Windsor, they weren't quite sure where he lived, but their search ended abruptly when they reached 19 Savona Crescent, in the tiny Hamilton suburb of Freelton, Ont. "The first thing they said when they got here is, 'Your garage door looks like Swiss cheese,' " said Ryan's father, Jim.

That's because the driveway was where Ryan spent countless hours with his father working on the shot that has become Ryan's calling card in the NHL. The garage door wasn't of the highest quality, Jim is quick to acknowledge. Ryan would make the initial indentation, and then two or three more to the same place would put a hole through it. All those hours produced a shot that has been lethal since he was a kid. Jim recalled a couple times in minor hockey when Ryan actually put the puck through the mesh. "That's been my thing forever," Ryan said. " I think I was the first 8-year-old who could raise the puck from the blueline."

Jim could never coach his son's teams because of the unpredictability of his shift work at the Ford plant in nearby Oakville, but every time he worked the dayshift, he'd come home and the two would head out to the driveway. When Jim was too tired, he'd simply roll or kick the ball to his son. Ryan recalled it as a bonding experience, saying, "It was the most fun, it was time I got to spend with my dad." So even if Ryan hadn't developed his lethal shot, it would have still been time well spent.

As anyone can tell you, though, it takes a lot more than a booming shot to become a bona fide NHL defenseman. There were growing pains for Ellis, who has seen his offensive totals rise every season. For him, the turning point came when Laviolette took over for Barry Trotz behind the bench and gave him the kind of ice time he needed to make an impact. When Ellis signed his current deal in 2014, he was playing about 16 minutes a game under Trotz. He had no way of knowing he'd average almost 24 under Laviolette, with Josi as his partner two years later. Ellis also didn't know he'd have one of the best shooting percentages among defensemen in the league. His 11.4 percent in 2016-17 was fourth in the NHL and tops on the Predators blueline by a mile.

As a result, Ellis didn't exactly bet on himself. He signed a five-year contract worth $12.5 million, which means he has two years left on a deal that'll pay him just $2.5 million per season. That makes him perhaps the best bargain in the NHL today. But he can take solace in knowing his payday will come and that he has blossomed into an elite-level defenseman under Laviolette. "I had done it at every level and I knew I could bring it," said Ellis, who won two Memorial Cups and a gold medal at the world juniors. "It was just a matter of getting a chance. When you're young and playing only 14 minutes a night, that's not much of an opportunity. But 'Lavi' comes in and lets me play 23 minutes a night. That's the chance you get, and a lot of players need that opportunity to show what they have."

PUT ME IN, COACH
Ellis won at every level before the NHL and always believed he'd become a good pro. He just needed more playing time and he finally got it when Nashville changed bench bosses.

I THINK I WAS THE FIRST 8-YEAR-OLD WHO COULD RAISE THE PUCK FROM THE BLUELINE

– RYAN ELLIS

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NASHVILLE PREDATORS

THE BEAST
MATTIAS EKHOLM

• POILE ACQUISITION NO. 127 •

ACQUIRED: Ekholm had already been passed over in the 2008 NHL draft when Preds scout Lucas Bergman had Fenton and Kealty watch him play in an under-19 tournament in Europe. "He was purely an offensive guy who was really cherished for his offensive ability," Fenton said. "We got him in the fourth round (in 2009), but if you did that draft over, he'd be right near the top of the first round."

IF YOU GO to Wikipedia, this is what it says about the town where Ekholm first played hockey: "Furudal is a locality situated in Raatvik Municipality, Dalarna County, Sweden, with 407 inhabitants in 2010." That's it. No wonder they couldn't find enough defensemen to play for them. It was there that Ekholm played forward until he was 14 when he was moved back to defense after the coach asked him to fill in. "There was me and another guy, and the coach said, 'You guys try to play 'D' for just one game,' " Ekholm recalled. "It was going to just be a game. It was one game, then it was two games, then it was five games and I just stuck with it. And from there it took two years and I was on a junior team."

Good call. That's not to say that with his size (6-foot-4, 215 pounds) and skating ability Ekholm wouldn't have made for a nasty piece of work to deal with in front of the net as a power forward, but his value is on defense where he can be on the ice more often and have a greater impact. When Subban was traded to Nashville, the initial thought was to have him play with Josi, leaving the Ekholm-Ellis pairing intact. But after some early speed bumps, Ellis was matched with Josi and Ekholm with Subban on what became a dynamic pairing. There might not be a better-skating defense tandem in the NHL. "I think the obvious was to put Roman Josi and P.K. together, right?" Laviolette said. "As it turned out, the numbers and the eyeballs all pointed to Roman and Ryan being a terrific pair. Ekholm and Subban are a really, really big, strong, tough pair to play against. They've been able to handle a lot of minutes and a lot of big opponents."

That much was clear as the Predators rumbled through the playoffs shutting down some of the league's top offensive players – Jonathan Toews, Patrick Kane, Vladimir Tarasenko, Ryan Getzlaf and Corey Perry among them. There was even a point in the Stanley Cup final when the Penguins looked frustrated with their lack of production, in large part due to the job Subban and Ekholm did on Sidney Crosby early in the series.

Those who watch Ekholm closely have always appreciated what he brings, but the playoffs were the real eye-opener for the rest of the hockey world. What stood out most was his skating ability, which helps him in all areas of the ice. He's not afraid to join the rush and create odd-man situations for his team, and if he gets caught, he has the speed to get back into the play. He has the size to contain forwards but doesn't sacrifice his offensive acumen to sit back and defend. And, as he displayed during the final, he's sneaky-dirty, particularly after the whistle. "If you're playing top guys, they're all highly skilled players, and to make them feel like they don't have any room out there, you have to stay in front of them in their face and after the whistles make sure you let them know you're there," Ekholm said. "That's been working for me. I'm trying to push it to the limit where I don't get a penalty, but I'm right on the edge."

FEAR FACTOR
At 6-foot-4 and 215 pounds, Ekholm is already an imposing specimen, but he gets in his rivals' heads further by roughing them up after plays are whistled dead.

THE FRANCHISE
P.K. SUBBAN

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ACQUIRED: "I had never talked to Marc (Montreal Canadiens GM Bergevin) about it, and we sat beside each other at the GM meetings (at the 2016 draft), and I said, 'I'm hearing all this stuff. Are you trading this guy or not trading this guy?' " Poile recalled. "One thing led to another and he said, 'People are calling, and I'm not trying to trade him.' So I pushed a little more and said, 'Do you want to talk about something? If I was to do this, would you have interest?' That was, as I call it, the big gulp for both of us. We spoke a little bit at the draft and we both got back to Montreal and Nashville, gulped some more and then..."

WE DIDN'T WANT to make this all about P.K. Subban, and that's very difficult, because it's always all about P.K. Subban. A prime example was Media Day before the Cup final. The good folks at NHL Network asked him to grab a microphone and start asking questions of his teammates. He felt obliged to comply. That led to this exchange between him and Ellis...

Ellis: "Imagine playing with P.K. Subban. I mean, it's a dream come true. That's all it is."

Subban: "And you've seen him in the shower?"

Ellis: "I try to avoid that part."

Sometimes the spotlight is foisted upon Subban, yet sometimes he brings it upon himself, like the aftermath of his exchange with

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Sidney Crosby at the end of game Game 3. Subban said Crosby told him his breath stinks and that it perplexed him because he uses Listerine. Actual footage of their exchange showed it was nothing more than an F-you contest, but it turned into a sideshow. Subban played it for all it was worth, basking in the limelight and doing nothing to discourage it, until he didn't speak for three days leading up to Game 6. Whether he was shut down by his team or by himself, it seemed an odd turn of events. Even the league couldn't broker a deal to make him available. "A lot of guys have been saying my breath is tough," he said at the time. "But it's because I have a high-protein diet. No, seriously, a high-protein diet results in bad breath. But I can't afford to take protein out of my diet now. So people are just going to have to suck it up for the next week or so."

How successful is Subban? Well, consider that his father, Karl, a former principal in Toronto, has published a book titled, *How We Did It: The Subban Plan for Success in Hockey, School and Life.* The plan has worked without a doubt. Not only is Subban wildly talented, he has what it takes to truly become the face of the NHL, on and off the ice. Yet as well as his act played in Nashville last season, it rubs some people the wrong way, which goes back to the genesis of his trade from the Canadiens in the first place. One thing is clear, though. Subban is going to hit some rough patches on this front until he starts to pick his spots. Perhaps he just has to learn to say no.

Case in point was his first visit to Nashville after the trade last summer. As he toured around town, he found himself in Tootsie's, the world-famous bar that's a seeing-eye wrist shot away from Bridgestone Arena. His first night in his new home, Subban was up on stage singing Johnny Cash. "When I got traded, it wasn't like it popped in my head that I was going to fly to Nashville and perform *Folsom Prison Blues* on stage at Tootsie's," Subban said. "The owner is like, 'Why don't you sing us a song? Yeah, get up there.' What am I going to say? No? Everyone is looking at me, so I just hopped up there and did it."

CHICKEN VS. EGG
Does Subban seek attention or does he simply react to cameras thrust in his face? It's tough to say which force drives the other. Regardless, few players entertain like he can.

NASHVILLE PREDATORS

Subban scored a goal in his first game with the Predators, and even though he missed 16 games in December and January with an upper-body injury, he still managed 40 points. He's formed one of the league's elite shutdown pairings with Ekholm and seems to have toned down his penchant for running around and trying to do too much, in no small part because of the company he keeps on Nashville's blueline. It's impossible to determine whether the Preds would've gone to the final anyway had they not traded for Subban, but it's irrelevant. He has energized the Predators and the market in a way Weber, the anti-Subban in terms of personality, never did.

Much of the credit goes to Poile. He made it a priority to meet not only with Subban but also with his cadre of handlers so that everyone could formulate a common goal when it came to on- and off-ice objectives and the Predators could support him as much as possible. "We obviously heard a lot about things that happened in Montreal, some good, some maybe not so good," Poile said. "The whole idea was to get on the same page."

If the first year of the Subban era is any indication, things have worked out pretty well. He is, and always will be, a player who seeks and attracts attention. He received flak when he predicted the Predators would win Game 3 of the final, which they did. Subban claims he doesn't ask for microphones to be stuck in his face, but when they are, he's not going to be shy about expressing himself. In fact, he said he "gets into trouble with the league" if he says he doesn't want to talk. (Although he does have an annoying penchant for always saying, "at the end of the day," and "the reality is…" One time during the final he actually said, "At the end of the day, it's tomorrow, then it's the next day.") "I speak my mind," Subban said. "I speak the truth and at the end of the day, I'm going to speak what I feel."

WE OBVIOUSLY HEARD A LOT ABOUT THINGS THAT HAPPENED IN MONTREAL, SOME GOOD, SOME MAYBE NOT SO GOOD

– GM DAVID POILE ON P.K. SUBBAN

MATTHEWS *vs.*

Matthews and Laine burst onto the scene in their rookie season. Auston took the Calder Trophy, but who will be the better player in the long run?

BY TOM THOMPSON

A disillusioned American voter told a TV commentator that the 2016 election was like a choice between arsenic and strychnine. A comparison of Auston Matthews and Patrik Laine is the complete opposite. These two players are both Hall of Fame prospects, elite-level talents and cornerstones of future Stanley Cup contenders.

AUSTON MATTHEWS is the proverbial 200-foot center. He is strong offensively and defensively, difficult to play against and can make life miserable for opposing centers. In style, he's similar to Jonathan Toews but with more pace to his game. Matthews is a top-notch goal-scorer, playmaker and the prototypical first-line center that every team craves.

PATRIK LAINE has a chance to be one of the great goal-scorers of all-time, a pure sniper with a lethal shot. His ceiling can best be described as a 6-foot-5 version of Brett Hull or Mike Bossy. In the offensive zone, the Jets winger will often disappear from view, only to emerge in perfect scoring position, receive a pass and deliver a quick shot on net.

Which player is better? Let's break down their skill sets.

SKATING

One year ago, this was no contest. Matthews was already an above-average NHL skater – balanced, powerful and quick. Laine looked a bit like a young colt whose legs took a while to get moving. Matthews has continued to develop. All his skating lacks is that Connor McDavid type of breakaway speed. Laine has increased his leg strength and, when in full flight, his skating is more than adequate. Check out his rink-length dash in overtime in Nashville where Pekka Rinne stoned him. It's highlight-reel material. Like most players in the league, Laine's skating is not at Matthews' level, but as long as he keeps his big body in motion, it's fine.

EDGE: MATTHEWS

COMPETITIVENESS

Laine competes hard when he can sense a scoring opportunity. He'll go to dangerous areas in the offensive zone and take a hit in any zone in order to make a good play to a teammate. At other times, however, he "disappears" from the play. He doesn't hound the puck as a forechecker and can be passive in the defensive zone. His positioning is sound, but for portions of many shifts, he is not a factor in the play. Matthews wants to involve himself in the play every moment he is on the ice. His aim is to control the puck in all zones, and he will go to the puck if it isn't coming to him. He handles the puck in tight quarters where he has to absorb physical abuse to make plays. His defensive positioning is exceptional for a young player. His feet are always active and he works diligently for his team to regain possession of the puck. Matthews is a stronger, more powerful player in 1-on-1 confrontations.

EDGE: MATTHEWS

LAINE

SHOT

Matthews is an above-average NHL shooter, especially his wrist shot in tight situations. His slapshot and wrist shot on the fly allow him to score from outside. Laine is already one of the best shooters in hockey. His one-timers from any position in the offensive zone are lethal. As a right-handed shot, he can move from right to left and shoot against the grain as well as any player in the NHL. His accuracy is uncanny.

EDGE: LAINE

VERSATILITY

In an era of parity, special teams can often determine the outcomes of games. Laine and Matthews are already elite power play performers. Both were excellent in 3-on-3 overtime and will be go-to players in shootouts. Matthews is definitely a more committed defensive player and thus is more likely to be used as a penalty killer someday soon.

EDGE: MATTHEWS

PUCK POSSESSION

This aspect of hockey, always crucial to winning games, has become more prominent in the public mind with the rise of analytics. The concept is simple – if my team possesses the puck, your team cannot score, and vice versa. When Laine has the puck, he makes good decisions to control it, pass it or get a dangerous shot on goal. But the reality is Matthews possesses the puck more than Laine. Matthews competes harder to get it, controls it for longer periods of time and his decisions with it are as good as Laine's.

EDGE: MATTHEWS

PLAYMAKING

Laine is a pure goal-scorer. His priority is to find a quiet area in the offensive zone and make himself available to receive a pass for a quick shot. However, when he has possession of the puck, he makes elite-level decisions and can execute passes consistently. This applies whether he is at the point, in the offensive zone or making outlet passes from the defensive end. Matthews can make plays while under pressure and, with his soft hands, he doesn't need much space or time. On the rush, Matthews can execute forehand and backhand passes at top speed. Like Laine's, the execution is consistent.

EDGE: NEITHER

HOCKEY SENSE

In the current lingo, what is the hockey IQ of these players? Quick answer: they both have IQs that are at the top of the chart. Matthews and Laine can place themselves in the best scoring lanes and recognize how to get the puck to teammates who are positioned to score. Both players consistently make smart, crisp outlet passes from the defensive zone. Matthews' commitment to defensive play and his defensive positioning are more consistent, but few players in the NHL are better than Laine at lurking in the neutral zone to steal pucks or pick off errant passes.

EDGE: NEITHER

DEFENSIVE PLAY

This one is no contest. I always believed Toews was the best young defensive center I had ever seen. Matthews is in the same league. His commitment to defensive play and positioning in all three zones is at a top-of-the-class level. Combined with his size and strength, this makes Matthews a formidable opponent for any first-line center in the NHL. Laine can intercept passes in the neutral zone and send the play the other way, and he's far from a lazy backchecker. However, his defensive positioning and overall commitment to team defense is average.

EDGE: MATTHEWS

CONCLUSION

This is definitely a choice between two different versions of valuable gems. Laine is a ruby whose luster shines every time he scores another big goal to help his team win. Matthews is a diamond whose brilliance and hardness are evident as he helps his team win in a number of ways. I would pay a lot for each gem and not surrender either of them under any circumstances. However, if I have to make a choice, I prefer diamonds to rubies. Auston Matthews over Patrik Laine. See you in 25 years at their inductions into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

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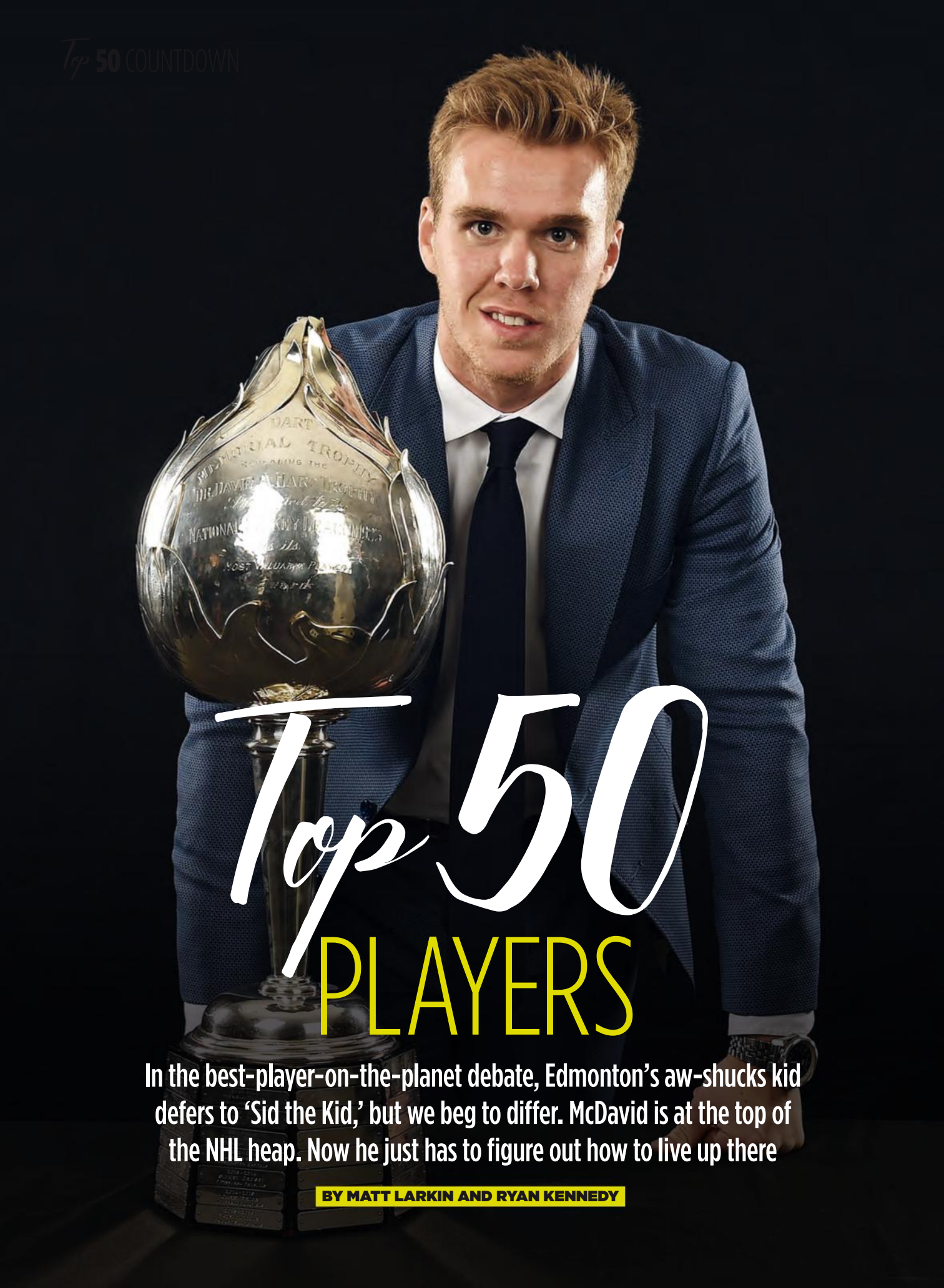

Top 50 PLAYERS

In the best-player-on-the-planet debate, Edmonton's aw-shucks kid defers to 'Sid the Kid,' but we beg to differ. McDavid is at the top of the NHL heap. Now he just has to figure out how to live up there

BY MATT LARKIN AND RYAN KENNEDY

WHEN I'M ALONE, MY MIND JUST GOES TO THINKING ABOUT HOCKEY. IT'S HARD TO GET AWAY FROM IT, BUT I'M NOT LOOKING TO GET AWAY FROM IT

– Connor McDavid

THE DOORS OF a luxury suite at the Encore hotel in Las Vegas swing open, and it's like walking through a portal to childhood. Flickering on a massive TV are the sights of EA Sports' NHL video game series. A young man in a ball cap sits in front of the screen, his back turned, engrossed in the action.

His handlers ask him to turn around and greet his company, just like parents might get their kid to put down the controller. "Stand up straight," they might say. "There's someone we want you to meet."

It's moments like this that are reminders of just how young Connor McDavid still is. At 20, he's old enough to have a Hart Trophy, an Art Ross Trophy and a Ted Lindsay Award shipped to his home in Newmarket, Ont., after securing all three at the NHL Awards. But he's not legal drinking or gambling age in the U.S. He's six months removed from being a teenager, so he should be mashing buttons on an Xbox controller with his friends all day. It's what most people his age do.

McDavid, of course, isn't most people his age. After just one-and-a-half-seasons in the NHL, he's already been anointed the best hockey player in the world by the Professional Hockey Writers' Association and the NHL Players' Association. So there's no such thing as a normal life anymore, not that it stops McDavid from trying to have one. "I don't want to be a guy who is on house arrest and doesn't go out anymore or anywhere," he said. "You can't be that guy. You also don't want to be bothered and hassled all the time. You've got to find that happy medium, and I think I've done a pretty good job of it."

He does so by seeking advice from a few people who have experienced what he is going through. Most commonly, that means talking to Wayne Gretzky and especially Bobby Orr, McDavid's agent. They help him find his normal, as do McDavid's friends. He loves playing the NHL video game series with them, so he does get some escape in those situations.

The truth, though, is McDavid fits the bill of most true sports icons: he lives and breathes and dreams the sport. It's not a coincidence that the likes of Gretzky or Tom Brady are famous for their obsession. "It's my life," McDavid said. "I wouldn't say it's a job, but it's my job. It's literally what I have to do, and I love doing it. So I do take the game home. I am thinking about it all the time. The only way you can really get away from it is when you're with other people and talking about random things with your buddies. Because when I'm alone, my mind just goes to thinking about hockey. It's hard to get away from it, but I'm not looking to get away from it."

NEW NO. 1
At 20 years old, McDavid takes over the mantle as the best player in the game, surpassing fellow superstar Crosby for top billing.

That mindset, naturally, invites comparisons to Sidney Crosby. He, too, is a generational talent, blessed with tremendous speed and skill. They're both No. 1 overall draft picks, and they share a level of superstardom no one else does in hockey today. Of course everyone will measure them against each other, and McDavid is more than fine with that. "I don't think you're ever sick of being compared to the best player in the league," he said. "That part is a dream come true. It's a guy I grew up idolizing and aspiring to be. When people mention me in the same breath as him, it's something I never get tired of hearing. Maybe how we're different is that he's a bigger body, not as tall, but he's wider. He plays that hardnosed game, which I try to do but maybe I don't do as well as Sid. That's something I can get better at."

McDavid is still growing into his personality. And what 20-year-old isn't? He's a bit guarded and shy, even in his posture. He speaks softly. He's slightly measured in his responses. But he also doesn't say nothing. He invites pressure and comparisons to all-time great NHL players, and he's a proud person. Even though 100 points wasn't a must-achieve goal for McDavid in 2016-17, he felt nervous at the end of the season once he realized the milestone was in reach. It was a pride thing. He may not project swagger, but the self-belief and big career aspirations live within him.

Even sitting in front of a TV playing video games, he can't hide his desire to succeed. That includes the honor of gracing the cover of his favorite childhood toy. It befits a young man who may still be shy in his body language but who refuses to shy away from greatness. He craves it. – MATT LARKIN

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01 CONNOR MCDAVID

EDMONTON OILERS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 9

By the slimmest of margins, McDavid takes the crown from Sidney Crosby. Why? Because the Oilers' boy-king has yet to play his best hockey – and what we've seen already has been outstanding. Expect an even higher level of elite skill and speed from McDavid in Year 3 of the Edmonton resurrection. A Stanley Cup is possible.

02 SIDNEY CROSBY

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 1

There's no shame in getting edged out by a rising McDavid. If Crosby needs to, he can just cuddle up to his latest Stanley Cup. Speaking of which, if you still don't believe Crosby is one of the best of all-time and climbing, just roll back the tape on the final against Nashville, when he imposed his will and earned a second straight Conn Smythe Trophy.

03 ERIK KARLSSON

OTTAWA SENATORS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 8

Karlsson didn't just lead the Senators to a shocking berth in the Eastern Conference final, the underdogs nearly won the series. Even in defeat, Karlsson's efforts were the culmination of a season where he hit a rarely seen level of excellence. His ability to control a game through his skating and puck movement is unparalleled.

04 PATRICK KANE

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** 2

Chicago has always needed Kane to produce, but this season the Hawks are really going to lean on him due to personnel losses. One of the most dazzling offensive players in the world, Kane has continued to pour in points and redefine how big a superstar needs to be. His former running mate, Artemi Panarin, is gone, but with Brandon Saad back in the fold, we're betting the Blackhawks will be just fine. And Kane will still get his.

05 CAREY PRICE

MONTREAL CANADIENS | POSITION G **| LAST YEAR** 3

He didn't win the Vezina Trophy, and he didn't have the best stats in the league, but Price is still the most intimidating goaltending presence in the game. That's funny, given how calm he is both on and off the ice, but that's part of the death in facing him – Price will not be rattled. With Montreal's defense corps getting slower over the summer, the Canadiens will need their ace at his best, and we think he'll deliver.

06 SERGEI BOBROVSKY

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS | POSITION G **| LAST YEAR** NR

'Officer Bob' made a conditioning change in the summer of 2016 and reverted back to Vezina Trophy form, propelling Columbus back into the playoffs in the process. So is it safe to say the real Bobrovsky has stood up? Absolutely. With his newfound outlook, he's discovered the key to his own greatness.

07 EVGENI MALKIN

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 18

A surefire Hall of Famer already and the biggest snub on the NHL's top 100 players of all-time list, Malkin can take comfort in another Stanley Cup ring and the outsized role he played in securing the chalice for Pittsburgh. His combination of size and skill makes him a potent foe, and it's crazy to think how many years he still has left in the tank.

08 AUSTON MATTHEWS

TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** NR

Much like McDavid last year, Matthews finds himself in the top 10 with room to climb as a sophomore. Will there be a slump? Considering he got better as last season went on, that seems unlikely. With incredible creativity and shot selection, Matthews will continue to bewilder goaltenders and his supporting cast in Toronto will grow alongside him.

09 VICTOR HEDMAN

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 16

Hedman put up big numbers last year, despite the fact Tampa Bay was a triage unit and his defense partner was an AHL call-up for long stretches. Imagine what the smooth-skating giant will do now that the Lightning is back up to speed. Hedman doesn't have a Norris Trophy, but he's due for one.

10 BRENT BURNS

SAN JOSE SHARKS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 14

Everybody's favorite wookiee landed his first Norris last season. He's a freak thanks to his size, shot and skills, and on a talented San Jose team he's in the perfect situation to thrive. That being said, the Sharks are getting older and Burns will have to up his game in response. The fact we don't doubt he will speaks volumes about his abilities.

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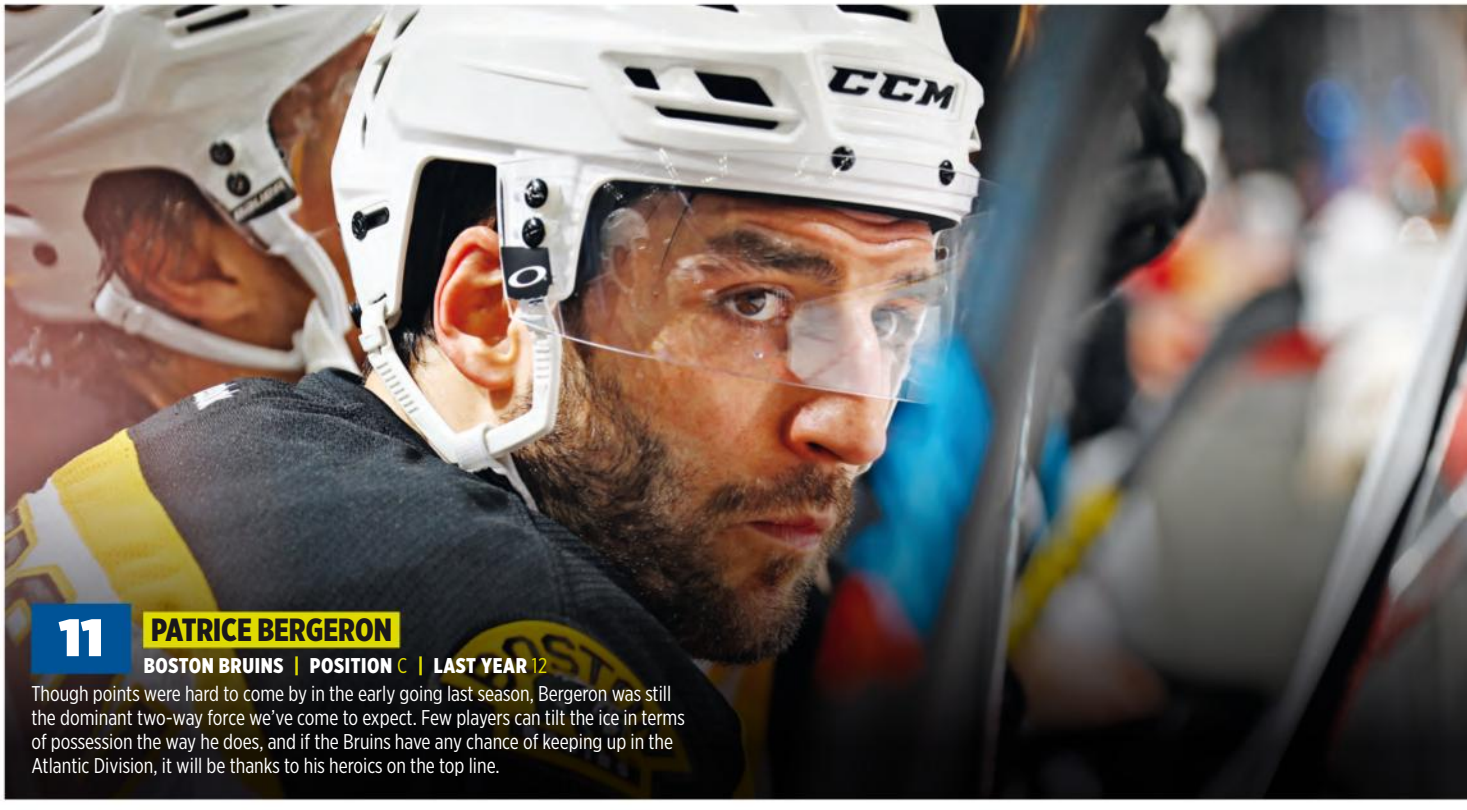

11 PATRICE BERGERON

BOSTON BRUINS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 12

Though points were hard to come by in the early going last season, Bergeron was still the dominant two-way force we've come to expect. Few players can tilt the ice in terms of possession the way he does, and if the Bruins have any chance of keeping up in the Atlantic Division, it will be thanks to his heroics on the top line.

12 JONATHAN TOEWS

CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 5

Like Bergeron, Toews didn't get off to an excellent start offensively last year, but he still ended up with respectable numbers and boasts a tremendous two-way game. Getting old running mate Saad back will help, not to mention buddy Patrick Sharp. The Hawks need to hit reset and 'Captain Serious' is just the man to press the button.

13 BRADEN HOLTBY

WASHINGTON CAPITALS | POSITION G **| LAST YEAR** 17

The 'HoltBeast' has entrenched himself amidst the NHL's elite goaltenders in recent years, and though his post-season wasn't electrifying, he was hardly the only one to blame for the Caps' playoff exit. Holtby possesses a combination of physical gifts and technical ability that allows him to rack up wins.

14 NIKITA KUCHEROV

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** 33

Kucherov, perhaps the quietest star in the NHL right now, lets the scoresheet do the talking for him. A top-five producer already, the devilishly effective right winger makes magic with the puck and can kill you on the power play. With the Lightning getting healthy, he'll get more cover from teammates – and that's bad for everyone else.

15 MARK SCHEIFELE

WINNIPEG JETS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** NR

He had previously proven himself to be a bona fide No. 1 center, but Scheifele's offensive output last year served notice. A top-10 scorer for the first time in his young career, Scheifele is now entering his prime. The fact he'll be doing it with Patrik Laine on his wing should scare everyone outside of Winnipeg.

16 NICKLAS BACKSTROM

WASHINGTON CAPITALS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 34

Don't call him the sidekick; it's not cute and it's not accurate. Backstrom has proven himself to be Washington's most dangerous offensive player these days thanks to his vision with the puck and his ability to dish it off at the perfect time. He's unflappable on the ice and for a Caps team that can get skittish, that's a good trait.

17 JOHN TAVARES

NEW YORK ISLANDERS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 15

Though his point totals have steadily dropped over the past few years, Tavares is also a fantastic two-way player and possession driver. The real intrigue in Brooklyn (OK, the on-ice intrigue) is that Jordan Eberle has come to town as a running mate for Tavares, who already has an iconic moment with the winger dating back to the 2009 world juniors.

18 VLADIMIR TARASENKO

ST. LOUIS BLUES | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** 20

The Blues are going through a big roster shift right now, but as long as Tarasenko is in the lineup, things won't go too poorly. He is perhaps the NHL's premier scoring threat: only Alex Ovechkin has more goals over the past three seasons, and Tarasenko is just entering his prime.

19 JOHNNY GAUDREAU

CALGARY FLAMES | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** 19

Undoubtedly one of the most skilled and slippery players in the NHL, Gaudreau was felled by slashing opponents last season, bringing that epidemic to the forefront of league worries. Calgary is a lot better on paper this year, so if 'Johnny Hockey' can come in from the periphery to throw off defenses, expect more offense than ever.

20 TYLER SEGUIN

DALLAS STARS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 13

His team got caved in because of injuries and goaltending woes last year, but Seguin is still one of the top offensive centers in the league. Now, he's got a new toy to play with (Alexander Radulov) and still a ton of chemistry with Jamie Benn. With more help, Seguin can steer the Stars back into the post-season.

21 JAMIE BENN

DALLAS STARS | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** 4

Like his buddy Seguin, Benn was dragged down last year by the disappointing cast around him. Sure, he'll need to play better himself in order to get Dallas back on track, but we believe that's a certainty. The power forward is one of the NHL's biggest threats off the wing and the key piece of Dallas' attack.

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22 RYAN SUTER

MINNESOTA WILD | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 43

Opponents would probably prefer Suter to act his age, but the 32-year-old is still piling up the minutes on Minnesota's blueline. Not only that, but the slick-skater doesn't seem to be slowing down. His Wild have a chance to do something special, and Suter will be key, especially with Marco Scandella off to Buffalo.

23 BRAD MARCHAND

BOSTON BRUINS | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** 45

Hate him if you must, but acknowledge that Marchand has become one of the most lethal players in the game. His offensive prowess is at an all-time high, and the pest remains one of the best penalty killers. He showed at the World Cup he could hang with Crosby, so maybe Marchand can quit it with the cheap shots.

24 PATRIK LAINE

WINNIPEG JETS | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** NR

He came into the league with high expectations and still managed to smash them. Laine is already one of the most feared snipers in the NHL thanks to his heavy shot and creativity with the puck. Now the mission is to round out his game and keep growing. Helping the Jets get back into the playoffs wouldn't hurt, either.

25 JACK EICHEL

BUFFALO SABRES | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** NR

Eichel possesses the key to a city's hope. The phenom missed a big chunk of the first half last season, but he struck back with a vengeance upon his return (see pg. 32).

29 P.K. SUBBAN

NASHVILLE PREDATORS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 36

He matched up against some of the best forwards around in the playoffs and had great success. Subban is a possession demon with a minty-fresh game.

30 MATT MURRAY

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS | POSITION G **| LAST YEAR** NR

It's going to be a shock for Murray when one of his NHL campaigns ends without him hoisting the Stanley Cup. But with his size and poise, when will that be?

31 DREW DOUGHTY

LOS ANGELES KINGS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 6

The Kings are slowing down, but they still have a swashbuckler on the back end in Doughty. The natural talent plays huge minutes and drives possession.

32 DUNCAN KEITH

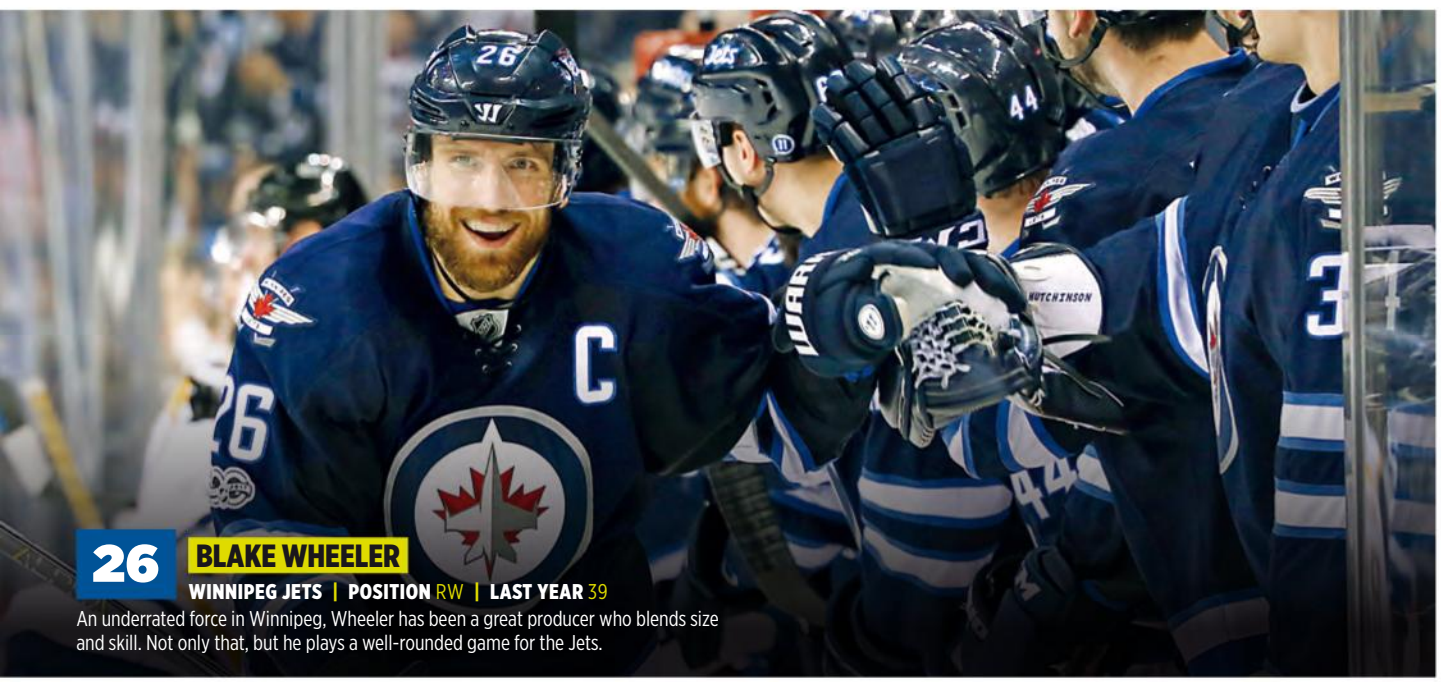
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 27

The future Hall of Famer does it all and logs a ton of ice time. But with Chicago's blueline taking sizeable hits, he'll have to do more with less as he gets older.

33 JOE PAVELSKI

SAN JOSE SHARKS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 10

A two-way force on the ice and a team leader in the dressing room, San Jose's captain will have to continue his fine play if the Sharks are going to keep up in the Pacific.



26 BLAKE WHEELER

WINNIPEG JETS | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** 39

An underrated force in Winnipeg, Wheeler has been a great producer who blends size and skill. Not only that, but he plays a well-rounded game for the Jets.

27 RYAN GETZLAF

ANAHEIM DUCKS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 21

No two ways about it: Getzlaf was an absolute beast last season. How many good years does he have left? Hard to say. But stay out of his way until it's completely obvious.

28 LEON DRAISAITL

EDMONTON OILERS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** NR

Don't call him a result of Connor McDavid. The powerful Draisaitl did plenty of damage by himself last year. Just ask Anaheim after he hung five points on them in a playoff game.

34 KEVIN SHATTENKIRK

NEW YORK RANGERS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** NR

The biggest free agent of the summer, Shattenkirk even gave his hometown Rangers a discount. In exchange, New York gets an elite puck-mover in his prime.

35 RYAN MCDONAGH

NEW YORK RANGERS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 50

Getting an elite, right-handed 'D' partner in Shattenkirk is going to unlock McDonagh in New York, where he was already the Rangers' premier defenseman.

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36 ALEX OVECHKIN

WASHINGTON CAPITALS | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** 11

The scrutiny will be searing this year, as 'Ovie' tries to prove he's not a fallen star. Playoff failings aside, he's still got one of the most devastating shots in the world.

37 DAVID PASTRNAK

BOSTON BRUINS | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** NR

Pastrnak jumped into the stratosphere last season with a 34-goal campaign, more than doubling his previous high. At 21 years old, he has more big seasons coming.

38 ALEKSANDER BARKOV

FLORIDA PANTHERS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 48

A healthy Barkov would be awesome to witness, because we haven't see a full 82-game season from him yet. But when he's out there, he's a big, talented force up the middle.

39 DOUGIE HAMILTON

CALGARY FLAMES | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** NR

Size, possession and a two-way game all line up for Hamilton, who's just 24 and still on the ascent. Mark Giordano gets an assist on his partner's ranking for helping him to thrive.

40 MIKAEL GRANLUND

MINNESOTA WILD | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** NR

Playing with Finnish elder Mikko Koivu, Granlund hit new heights by leading the Wild in scoring. The talented playmaker has officially lived up to the hype.

41 MAX PACIORETTY

MONTREAL CANADIENS | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** NR

Playing with reckless abandon hasn't done wonders for Pacioretty's health, but the Canadiens captain leads without fear, and few can score like him these days.

42 ARTEMI PANARIN

COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS | POSITION LW **| LAST YEAR** 44

Panarin's a talented sniper who really established himself quickly in the NHL. He comes to Columbus at a heavy cost (Saad), but they needed his skill up front.

43 MARC-EDOUARD VLASIC

SAN JOSE SHARKS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** NR

A lot of teams surely despaired when Vlasic signed a long-term extension with San Jose this summer. Simply put, he's the best shutdown defenseman in the world.

44 EVGENY KUZNETSOV

WASHINGTON CAPITALS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 30

Even with all of Washington's talent, Kuznetsov stands out for his sublime skill level and drive. He's a top-line center on almost any other NHL franchise.

45 ROMAN JOSI

NASHVILLE PREDATORS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 37

Nashville's run to the Cup final gave the hockey world a look at what Preds fans already knew: Josi is one of the best two-way defenseman on the rise in the game today.

46 STEVEN STAMKOS

TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 22

Major injuries have sidetracked Stamkos' career, but hopefully that's in the past. Can he return to his Rocket Richard Trophy ways? That's the big question.

47 LOGAN COUTURE

SAN JOSE SHARKS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 23

Like Stamkos, Couture has been walloped by the injury bug. But when he's on the ice, the Sharks pivot is a two-way king and will be key to the team's offense.

48 MARK STONE

OTTAWA SENATORS | POSITION RW **| LAST YEAR** NR

Stone is an absolute possession monster for the Senators and has become one of the most effective two-way players in the game. His skating is much improved.

49 CLAUDE GIROUX

PHILADELPHIA FLYERS | POSITION C **| LAST YEAR** 35

He's the captain and two-way heart of the Flyers, but Giroux has been trending down offensively. Can the team around him get better in time to make something happen?

50 KRIS LETANG

PITTSBURGH PENGUINS | POSITION D **| LAST YEAR** 24

Yeah, yeah, the Penguins won a Cup without him, but imagine how much easier the playoffs would have been for Pittsburgh with Letang's effortless skating in the lineup.

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SID THE MAN REFLECTS ON SID THE KID

As he turns 30, Crosby gives thanks for strict parents and compassionate coaches

BY SHELLY ANDERSON

THE COACH REPRESENTS AUTHORITY. YOU MIGHT NOT ALWAYS AGREE WITH WHAT HE SAYS, BUT YOU HAVE TO RESPECT IT.

-Sidney Crosby

SIDNEY CROSBY'S CAREER has featured its share of uncertainty. Could he return to form after his concussions? Could he win that elusive second – and then third – Stanley Cup to cement his place as one of the all-time greats? While he has answered both of those questions, what was never in question was the huge role his parents played in his success. They made sure he got to games and practices and had what he needed to hone his skills.

Chauffeur and equipment manager weren't the only important roles Troy and Trina Crosby played, and his parents weren't Crosby's only influences. He recently opened up about the life lessons that shaped him long before he was captain of the Pittsburgh Penguins, notched any of his 1,027 NHL points and was a two-time Hart Trophy and Conn Smythe Trophy winner.

The face of the NHL isn't 'Sid the Kid' anymore. He turned 30 in August and can grow at least some semblance of a playoff beard now, but the boy from Cole Harbour, N.S., still resides in his soul. "As a kid, I just loved being out there and competing," he said. "There's so much you can take away from the game."

Adapting to different coaches as he zoomed up the levels of youth hockey has helped Crosby in the NHL. The Penguins have had five coaches in his 12 seasons – Ed Olczyk, Michel Therrien, Dan Bylsma, Mike Johnston and current bench boss Mike Sullivan, and three times Crosby has seen a new coach come in mid-season. Every one of them arrived with a different coaching style, but they all had the same role. "The coach represents authority," Crosby said. "You might not always agree with what he says, but you have to respect it. As you get older, you understand more. Now, if you have an issue with the coach, it's something you have to bring up."

Crosby credits the coaches he had growing up with teaching him how to handle a variety of situations. Perhaps the biggest was putting losses in perspective. "I remember some of the messages we got from our coach, and it wasn't, 'Hey, this was a waste of time,' and he wasn't mad. It was, 'Hey, this is what we have to work on.' Some kids were crying. I was probably crying. You lose, but you have to go through that. You have to learn that you're not going to win everything all the time."

Since he was a kid, Crosby has always been in the spotlight. He was pegged as a star while getting visits from the tooth fairy – he did his first media interview at seven years old – but he always sought to just be one of the guys. That meant doing grunt work like everyone else, whether it was fundraising or training.

Through it all, Troy and Trina were there providing what Crosby considers a strong mix of patience, parameters and parental advice. There was Trina's well-documented tolerance for the dryer Crosby beat up with errant pucks during his hours upon hours shooting at a net in the family basement. (For those still keeping faith in the myth that he intentionally shot pucks into the dryer, sorry to burst your bubble.) And lines were clearly drawn. "They were pretty strict," Crosby said. "Looking back, I'm glad they were that way. The biggest thing was it was consistent. Like any kid, you have a bunch of hockey, and you've got homework, too, and you're thinking, 'Mom, can you write me a note because I had three games this weekend?' It was, 'Hey, let's be honest here, you're not playing next weekend if you're not doing your homework.' Everything was prioritized that way."

Troy's message was straightforward, linking hockey with life, and Crosby took it to heart. At 30 years old, he remains the best player in the game, and he's also widely recognized as the NHL's hardest-working superstar. "The thing that he wanted me to take away from it was, and I remember he told me this all the time, 'Whatever you do when you grow up, make sure you're doing it to your best. You work hard every day, whatever it is,' " Crosby said. "That's all he asked as a parent, and that's more than fair." H

MEET THE PARENTS
Crosby says father Troy and mother Trina used hockey to motivate him to do his homework and teach him life lessons when he was growing up in Cole Harbour.

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FIRST STEP TOWARDS SUPER STARDOM

Eichel's never-stop-improving attitude should have Sabres fans salivating over his (literal) rapid acceleration to greatness

BY RYAN KENNEDY

JACK EICHEL HAD a lot of time on his hands. Sidelined by an ankle injury for the first quarter of last season, there was only so much rehab the Buffalo Sabres center could do. So with some free time to spare, he decided to get a new hairstyle. In what can only be described as an awesome tribute to late 1980s hip-hop, Eichel got a fresh look from his barber: big on top, shaved on the sides. "I gave him free reign," Eichel said. "We have a tight relationship and I told him to do whatever he wanted. I liked it. I ran with it."

When he returned to the ice, his game matched his fade. Eichel went full beast mode, averaging 0.93 points per game, 11th-best league wide.

And there's very good reason to believe Eichel will be even better in 2017-18. Training with Kyle Czech, Boston University hockey's strength and conditioning coach, Eichel was on a mission to take his already elite game and pump it up a notch. "I've worked with a lot of athletes, and he's different," Czech said. "When you're training Eichel, he's always locked in. He's extremely technical, and he always wants to know why he's doing something."

Czech relates all his routines to hockey, targeting muscle groups and firing patterns to optimize results. This summer's focus was on Eichel's first stride and acceleration, and to get there, loaded sprints were on the menu. For a hockey player, running on its own doesn't offer much. But if you put on a harness and pull a weighted sled as you run – a loaded sprint – then your chest comes down and your shins are at a different angle. It utilizes different muscle groups, more quads and glutes, and makes more sense for players looking to work on their skating. In the case of the loaded sprints, it's all about hockey-applicable exercises.

Eichel's skating was already great when he was burning college opponents in his Terriers jersey. He already had a long stride. Now it was just a matter of getting more explosive from a static start. "With an athlete like Jack, the smallest changes make the biggest difference," Czech said. "He's really good at picking up minor details."

Which is great news for the Sabres, who are still tailing behind in the Atlantic Division despite employing Eichel and two-way star Ryan O'Reilly. But finding players like that is actually the hard part. "This is a league that thrives on centermen," said new GM Jason Botterill. "The fortunate thing here is we have a couple amazing high-end centermen."

Despite Eichel's brilliance last season, the Sabres missed the playoffs by a wide berth for the sixth year in a row. Discord was a consistent theme, and the firing of coach Dan Bylsma and GM Tim Murray came at an awkward time, as unsubstantiated rumors about Eichel's relationship with Bylsma had been tossed into the public's ear. For his part, Eichel said he's more than happy to be in Buffalo and wants to take on even more responsibility. "As someone who

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wants to be in that leadership role and wants that pressure and wants to be in the Sabres organization, I feel like we just need to put it all together," Eichel said.

And while Botterill doesn't want to put a timeline on how long it would take for the Sabres to contend for a Stanley Cup, it's fair to say the fans are hoping for at least a playoff berth soon. Bolstering the blueline with the additions of Marco Scandella and Nathan Beaulieu will help, though the most galling thing for Sabres fans is that they are now playing catch-up with the hated Toronto Maple Leafs and Auston Matthews.

The 20-year-old Eichel, who will continue to be mentioned alongside his draft mate Connor McDavid and his Team USA buddy/NHL rival Matthews, doesn't shy away from the challenge of meeting his peers' early triumphs. "As a competitive guy, you want to succeed," he said. "It makes you want to push harder. And with players like Auston and Connor, you can see the league is going in the right direction."

Let's not sell Eichel short in this conversation, either. If Buffalo is going to emerge from the mire, he will be leading the offensive charge. Top-line centers with his combination of size, speed and skill are crucial to any respectable rebuild, and they cannot be discounted. "Jack is an amazing player," Botterill said. "What's exciting for me is the drive that he has. You look at his track record in college and even the simple thing of playing at the world championship this year. Here's a player who wants to be playing in April and May. Those are the players we want in our organization."

JACK BE NIMBLE
Eichel is a devoted student in the gym who constantly asks about the purpose of each exercise. The goal of his workouts this summer: to develop a more explosive first stride.

Eichel would also like to see his squad come through in the clutch more often next season. "As a group, we were a bit inconsistent," he said. "We'd need to win a couple in a row, and it seemed like we couldn't put that together this year. You lose one you thought you should have won, or lose a lead, or give up two points for one...that was the tale of our year."

Now it's time for the Sabres to step up, and a healthy Eichel will make a world of difference. "He kind of has an extra sense," Czech said. "He knows, down to a science, what his body needs."

Sometimes it's a bunch of anaerobic exercises and static starts. Sometimes it's a fresh new haircut. In the end, the result is the same: Eichel looking good.

CANADA CUP?

Next spring, it'll be a quarter-century since Stanley lived north of the 49th parallel. Could he be coming home in 2018?

BY MATT LARKIN

NO CANADIAN TEAM made the playoffs in 2015-16, and they ended up with five of the top six draft picks, with the Toronto Maple Leafs winning the Auston Matthews Bowl at No. 1.

Just one year later, five Canadian clubs qualified for the post-season, including the Ottawa Senators, who came within a double-overtime goal of eliminating the eventual Stanley Cup-champion Pittsburgh Penguins. Most Canadian squads suddenly feature some of the sport's most elite young talents, and we must seriously consider that the Stanley Cup will cross the U.S. border for the first time since 1993. Who, then, is Canada's best hope to snatch hockey's Holy Grail next? We present all seven teams, ranked in order of their Cup chances.

1. EDMONTON OILERS

Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin. Patrick Kane and Jonathan Toews. Next on the horizon: Connor McDavid and Leon Draisaitl. The Penguins and Chicago Blackhawks have won six of the 12 Stanley Cups in the NHL's salary cap era, including four of the past five, and they've done so with top-heavy roster models. They pay their superstars the megabucks and repeatedly replace support players who price themselves out of the market.

The Oilers inked McDavid to an eight-year extension with a $12.5-million annual cap hit, and will surely get Draisaitl's name on a big-money, eight-year pact soon. GM Peter Chiarelli, who won a Cup with Boston in 2011, knows what he's doing. Dealing Jordan Eberle, who carries a $6-million price tag, for younger, cheaper underachiever Ryan Strome was a Stan Bowman-esque move. The Oilers understand McDavid and Draisaitl are so talented they make others around them better (hulking tough guy Patrick Maroon is now a 27-goal scorer, for example). So the Oil have no problem pouring disproportionate dollars into a pair of franchise pillars.

The recent Cup teams from Chicago and Pittsburgh boasted outstanding goaltending to support their stars up front in Corey Crawford and Matt Murray, and the Oilers have discovered that, too. Cam Talbot led the NHL in games, saves, shots faced and minutes in 2016-17, creating a large sample size to evaluate him, and he broke out for a career season. His advanced metrics graded him out as an elite netminder, and he finished fourth in Vezina Trophy voting.

ANY TEAM I CAN THINK OF HAS TO LOSE BEFORE THEY CAN WIN. WE DID THAT. IT'S TIME TO LEARN FROM THAT AND MAKE A REAL PUSH – CONNOR McDAVID

On the back end, Chicago had Duncan Keith as a horse for their titles, while the Penguins had Kris Letang for at least their 2009 and 2016 runs. The Oilers made tremendous strides on defense last year, too. Oscar Klefbom and Adam Larsson emerged as a legitimate top pair to build around, and Darnell Nurse improved noticeably. Factor in the size Edmonton boasts up front with Maroon, Milan Lucic and Zack Kassian on the wings, and this is a balanced team. McDavid impacts the game as much as anyone in the NHL, but what makes the Oil especially dangerous is they actually aren't a one-man army, and they'll only get deeper if prospect Jesse Puljujarvi blossoms after a forgettable rookie year. Draisaitl once pulled off the same trick.

Kane and Toews hoisted the Cup in their third NHL seasons, while Crosby and Malkin did it in their fourth and third campaigns, respectively. The Oilers got to within one win of the Western Conference final in McDavid's sophomore year, so a championship is legitimately in reach. "Can I say we're at the front of the pack? No, because we didn't win," McDavid said. "Do we have a good chance at being a good team? I think we do. That experience this past year was crucial. Any team I can think of has to lose before they can win. We did that. It's time to learn from that and make a real push."

2. TORONTO MAPLE LEAFS

ESPN conducts an annual franchise rankings poll in which fans rate every MLB, NBA, NFL and NHL team in categories such as coaching, players, affordability and stadium experience, producing an aggregate Ultimate Standings of 122 franchises. The Leafs, remarkably, finished last three years in a row. They broke that streak in 2016-17 and shouldn't land anywhere near the bottom for the next decade.

Since Brendan Shanahan took over as team president, he has systematically gutted the franchise's culture and remade every detail. The Leafs have new uniforms. They just hosted their first outdoor game. Enough with the silly "honoring" of numbers, Shanahan figured – so the Leafs finally retired numbers last fall. Heck, they even hired a new anthem singer. And, most of all, they have completely transformed their hockey decision-making personnel, from GM Lou Lamoriello to coach Mike Babcock to assistant GM Mark Hunter.

The Leafs struck gold on the ice with the raw talent of their kids last season, as Auston Matthews, William Nylander and Mitch Marner became the first trio of rookie teammates in 36 years and the second in league history to eclipse 60 points apiece, joining the 1980-81 Quebec Nordiques' Peter Stastny, Anton Stastny and Dale Hunter. But freshman Connor Brown sniped 20 goals for the Leafs, too, and KHL import defenseman Nikita Zaitsev parachuted right into big-time NHL minutes. Nazem Kadri remade himself as an agitating shutdown center who happened to score 32 goals. Everything the team touched seemed to bloom, not just the big-ticket prospects. The common thread: the Leafs boast some of the most exciting young talent in the game, but they also host an ecosystem that helps this group thrive. Toronto was well above average in score-, venue- and zone-adjusted Corsi in 2016-17 and finished with the NHL's No. 2 power play and No. 10 penalty kill. The coaching staff deserves some credit for that.

The Leafs, then, have a lethal combination of a skilled, deep forward group and a vastly improved network of puppet masters shaping their identity. The synergy between the two put the team ahead of schedule, into the playoffs at least a year earlier than expected. Given how well goaltender Frederik Andersen settled into his job after a slow start and how many games Toronto gave away last season blowing late leads, there's actually room for this team to rise into the 100-point stratosphere right away. "We also were done in Round 1," Babcock cautioned. "The way we look at it, that's too early. We want to continue to play in the spring a lot longer than we

LEADING MAN
McDavid has help in Edmonton, but the ultimate success of the Oilers rests with their young captain.

NEW LEAFS
Led by Marner and a cast of kids, Toronto pushed fast-forward on its rebuild and is looking to contend.

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did last year. But you've got to get in the spring, and you can see good teams miss the playoffs now. So that's our first challenge."

Toronto still plays leaky defensive hockey and needs another top-four blueliner, but its farm system is loaded enough that Lamoriello can now adopt a buyer mentality and seek help via trade. The Leafs are set up to contend for years, and they may take an aggressive shot at winning a Stanley Cup now with Matthews and Marner two years away from their second contracts. The Patrick Marleau signing suggests as much.

3. CALGARY FLAMES

Calgary lacks a McDavid or Matthews, a true superstar that can vie for the Hart Trophy every year. But the Flames hold some advantages of their own.

If the Nashville Predators own the NHL's best defense corps, Calgary comes a close second. It already boasted Mark Giordano, Dougie Hamilton and T.J. Brodie before solidifying an enviable top-four by trading for Travis Hamonic in June. The Flames blueline is built to contend now, and it has reinforcements coming down the pipeline in Rasmus Andersson, Oliver Kylington, Adam Fox and Juuso Valimaki, none of whom have to be rushed given the team's depth at the NHL level.

The Flames boast one of the NHL's top two-way lines in Mikael Backlund, Matthew Tkachuk and Michael Frolik, and get a lot of their scoring from the talented tandem of Johnny Gaudreau and Sean Monahan. What holds Calgary back from elite Cup contender status, for now, is a lack of depth up front. The Flames' forward group thins out considerably outside the top-six, and they haven't found a right winger who can keep up with Monahan and Gaudreau. Troy Brouwer flopped last year.

What the Flames really need, if they're going to match strides with Edmonton and Toronto, is for Sam Bennett to realize his potential. He was drafted fourth overall in 2014, one pick after Draisaitl and four picks before Nylander, but Bennett has struggled to establish himself as a complete NHLer. He's hardly out of time at 21, though, so if he can deliver on the promise that earned him Doug Gilmour comparisons while playing for OHL Kingston, the Flames will challenge for the Stanley Cup. Late bloomer Mark Jankowski is another X-factor to watch in the coming years.

FIRE STARTER
Gaudreau sparks the offense in Calgary, but the Flames' hottest commodity is their blueline.

And let's not forget about Mike Smith. He joins a contender after rotting in Arizona for years, and he's the NHL's best puckhandling goaltender. He can elevate Calgary to juggernaut status as early as this season if he still has enough good hockey left in him at 35. "Every season, you have high hopes as a team, and bringing in a goaltender of that caliber is pretty exciting," Gaudreau said. "It gets your team excited. I'm just looking forward to 3-on-3 with him, which will play like it's 4-on-3 hockey."

4. MONTREAL CANADIENS

The *Bleu, Blanc et Rouge* are as close as any Canadian team to a Cup – or the furthest away of all seven. It's a matter of perspective.

The optimistic viewpoint: the Habs are fresh off their second first-place finish in the Atlantic Division in three years. In Carey Price, they own the netminder everybody would pick from the NHL's current pool if asked to win one game, and they've extended his contract through 2025-26. They have a Clydesdale No. 1 blueliner and tremendous leader in Shea Weber, backed up by newly signed shutdown D-man Karl Alzner and stalwart Jeff Petry. In Max Pacioretty, they have a player with more goals the past four seasons than everyone except Alex Ovechkin, Joe Pavelski and Sidney Crosby. They just traded for a dynamic young offensive force in Jonathan Drouin, giving them their first legit Franco-

THERE ARE A LOT OF GREAT TEAMS IN THE NHL THAT ARE IN CANADA. IT ALWAYS JUST SEEMS LIKE IN THE PLAYOFFS IT'S JUST GETTING HOT AT THE RIGHT TIME – CAREY PRICE

phone star since Jose Theodore, assuming Drouin can handle the exponential leap in pressure. "It all depends on the individual," Price said. "Some people thrive on it. Others don't. I don't know him at all. He seems to be one of those impact players who like being put in those types of situations. So I'm sure he's excited to be close to home."

The pessimistic viewpoint: the Habs lack a true No. 1 center, especially if coach Claude Julien won't give Alex Galchenyuk an extended look in that role. They acquired Drouin, but they lost Alexander Radulov in free agency, nullifying the gain. Weber turns 32 in August. Alzner's advanced statistics suggest he's not the top-end defensive defenseman he's reputed to be. Montreal mortgaged its best prospect, blueliner Mikhail Sergachev, to get Drouin, and the franchise has nothing close to a 10-bell future star waiting in the system.

It's thus possible this edition of the Canadiens is as good as it's going to get. At times, the Habs look unbeatable, especially in October when they've compiled a 26-4-2 record the past three seasons. "There are a lot of great teams in the NHL that are in Canada," Price said. "It always just seems like in the playoffs it's just getting hot at the right time. You look at our history…we're a very streaky team. All we've got to do is just get on that hot streak at the right time."

But GM Marc Bergevin has a veteran-laden group, most of which is likely to decline, not improve. Unless he finds a way to acquire some star-quality upgrades in seasons to come, his team has peaked. And if that's true, the Habs are at the top of the roller-coaster, about to start a long, steep descent.

5. OTTAWA SENATORS

No Canadian team confounds more than plucky Ottawa, which bucked a trend by coming within one goal of the 2017 Stanley Cup final despite weak advanced statistics. "We knew we were a good team, but you have to earn your respect," said star defenseman Erik Karlsson. "This year we did a good job in earning some of it. And people won't be surprised by the team we have and the style we play to be successful. And we're going to expect that next year. We're not going to get any freebies, and we're going to have to fight our way through to get back in the position we were in last year. We have a long way to go and a lot more to prove not only to ourselves but other people as well. It's an exciting challenge."

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NET RESULT
Price holds the key for the Habs, who could climb to the top of the mountain – or slide down the valley.

DRIVING FORCE
The sublime Karlsson is more important to the Senators than any other player to any other team.

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In Karlsson, the Senators also rely on one superstar more than any other team in the NHL, even more than the Oilers lean on McDavid. Ottawa's forward group is deep but lacks an elite scorer.

So does that mean we'll look back on 2016-17 as a fluke? Not necessarily. Ottawa's near future depends on its farm system, which boasts some real gems. In THN Future Watch 2017, the Senators scored three prospects inside our overall top 14. At No. 3: Thomas Chabot, who exploded into the public consciousness with a dominant showing on Canada's blueline at the 2017 world juniors. His ceiling is NHL all-star, and he has a real

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chance to make the Senators after they lost Marc Methot in the expansion draft. At No. 12: Colin White, who has earned Patrice Bergeron comparisons. At No. 14: Logan Brown, who's similar in size and style of play to Joe Thornton.

The Senators have a respectable base at the moment, and their best current NHLers, Karlsson, Mark Stone and Mike Hoffman, are only in their mid-20s. That will keep them competitive, and if the prospect trio of Chabot, White and Brown pan out in the coming seasons, Ottawa will emerge as a surprise contender. If not, the Sens will toil in mediocrity.

6. WINNIPEG JETS

On the cover of THN Future Watch 2015, we anointed the Jets "your 2019 Stanley Cup champions." That prediction looks sillier by the year, as Winnipeg has missed the playoffs two straight seasons despite having the best youth crop of any NHL team.

The Jets look loaded for years to come at forward, led by Mark Scheifele and Patrik Laine, with Nikolaj Ehlers and Blake Wheeler also bringing fantastic offensive skills. Jacob Trouba and Dustin Byfuglien are big, physical blueline specimens, and monstrous Logan Stanley possesses major potential as a long-term project. Blindingly fast Kyle Connor and 200-foot center Jack Roslovic are ready to make NHL splashes, too. They brighten Winnipeg's forecast that much more.

So what's the problem? "Last season, we just allowed too many goals," Laine said. "It's hard if you have to score three or four goals every night to win. That's one of the things we need to improve. "

Laine is bang on. The Jets are porous defensively and especially in goal, where Connor Hellebuyck is supposed to be the future. He took a major step backward last season, however, which rattled the front office's confidence enough that they shelled out $8.2 million over two years to Steve Mason.

The Jets are also weak on special teams, especially the penalty kill, which ranked 25th and 26th the past two seasons. They look sexy on paper every year, but GM Kevin Cheveldayoff has to point a finger at coach Paul Maurice eventually if theory doesn't start turning into results. Maurice is among the game's best quotes and seems to be universally liked, but he's been to the playoffs just five times in his 19 NHL seasons. The Jets have the potential to break out just like the Leafs did last year, but they have to earn their long-term Cup contender status by winning a lot more.

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TWO TO GO?
The Sedins are all-time Canucks, but at this point they'd best serve Vancouver by agreeing to a trade.

TAKE OFF, EH
Laine and the Jets have sky-high potential, but they need to start realizing their promise.

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7. VANCOUVER CANUCKS

The Canucks hold an important perch in Canadian hockey culture and thus deserve some ink, but it's merely a courtesy in this exercise. We know this franchise is many years away from Stanley Cup contention.

Daniel and Henrik Sedin will go down alongside Pavel Bure, Trevor Linden and Markus Naslund as the greatest Canucks ever, but the twins are holding the team back now. They're still good enough to give Vancouver a couple extra wins each year, but this team is better off bottoming out. The Canucks have used a pile of playoff misses in recent seasons to stockpile some intriguing prospects in defenseman Olli Juolevi and center Elias Pettersson, while Bo Horvat and Brock Boeser are heart-and-soul contributors to rely on up front. But Vancouver could use another can't-miss star.

Scoring sensation Andrei Svechnikov looms as the likely No. 1 overall draft pick in 2018. If only GM Jim Benning could convince the twins to accept trades to a Cup contender next March, the Canucks might sink low enough to earn more lottery balls than anyone else. The odds of the Sedins actually leaving, though, are almost zilch. So Canucks fans will have their patience tested for the next half-decade.

AGING LIKE FINE WINE

Once a wide-eyed greenhorn, Pavelski is now a grizzled greybeard unafraid to drop f-bombs on camera or deflect bombs from the point

BY DAVID POLLAK

TRAILING BY ONE GOAL, the San Jose Sharks were less than four minutes from elimination when the puck arrived on Joe Pavelski's stick just outside the Edmonton Oilers crease. A year ago, when he led the Sharks all the way to Stanley Cup final, his shot would have gone in. Pavelski's 14 goals, after all, were tops in the 2016 playoffs.

This year, however, his backhand shot pinged off the crossbar, then nicked the far post before being cleared. The Sharks eventually lost 3-1, dropping their first-round series in six games.

It was a painful moment for Pavelski, who has quietly become one of the NHL's most consistent goal scorers. He lacks the pedigree of the only two players who have scored more than his 192 goals over the past six seasons – first-overall picks Alex Ovechkin (257) and Steven Stamkos (202). But ask around and people in the know will say Pavelski, the 205th player drafted in the 2003, is a true student of the game, blessed with hockey smarts. Which is why less than 48 hours after his double-metal miss, he had already reviewed the video, trying to turn heartbreak into a learning experience. "You watch it a little bit because you want to see what it really was like," Pavelski said. "You try to learn from your

mistakes. And whether it was a mistake or not, there are certain areas where you're still always trying to get a little better."

Although it has taken awhile for him to gain visibility, Pavelski has slowly earned league-wide recognition. Yet he still maintains a low profile, with a reserved public persona and family-oriented lifestyle. He married his high school sweetheart, Sarah, and along with their six-year-old son, Nathan, they spend summers boating and fishing at the lakefront home they own in Madison, Wis.

Madison is a special place for Pavelski, who led Wisconsin to the 2006 NCAA title as its leading scorer. Former Badger teammates, including Adam Burish and Tom Gilbert, spend the summer there as well. "We've got a great setup there, using those facilities and being around friends," Pavelski said. "It's a perfect area to decompress from the season and look forward to the next one."

Friends, including those without hockey connections, are important to him in San Jose as well. The Pavelskis have lived in the same Willow Glen neighborhood for more than a decade. For a while, they would bring Lucy, their chocolate Labrador retriever, to the small park where an informal dog group had formed so people and their pets could socialize. When Pavelski brought home a silver medal in 2010 from the Vancouver Olympics, the group threw a party in his honor. Now that Lucy is older, the trips to the park are less frequent. Instead, Pavelski and his wife are more likely to be watching Nathan play football, T-ball or hockey, where he skates in the same mini-mites league as Brent Burns' son, Jagger.

As well as being one of the Sharks' top offensive weapons, Pavelski is also the team's top golfer, a scratch player. His former coach, Todd McLellan, sees similarities in the way Pavelski prepares for both sports – how he's able to analyze the circumstances without overthinking. "He's such a cerebral player and person," said McLellan, who coached Pavelski from 2008 to 2015. "He thinks things through, he understands situations and then he's able to turn it into just playing."

McLellan named Pavelski one of four rotating alternate captains during the 2014-15 season after the 'C' was taken away from Joe Thornton. But it was current coach Pete DeBoer who gave the captaincy to Pavelski full time ahead of 2015-16. That created the unique situation of a team having two of its former captains, Thornton and Patrick Marleau, in the same lineup – and occasionally on the same line – as its current captain. "It could be really awkward, but it wasn't because of the character of the people we're dealing with," DeBoer said. "Joe and Patrick are so comfortable in their own skin and their place in the game and in the leadership hierarchy that it wasn't an issue."

Pavelski, too, gets credit for the smooth transition from DeBoer, who describes his captain as high energy, inclusive, approachable and honest. "He wears that on his sleeve," DeBoer said, "and he backs it up with what he does on the ice."

While Pavelski rarely shows much emotion publicly, fans got a glimpse of his fiery side in February 2015. The Sharks were featured in the *Road to the NHL Stadium Series* that month, and cameras recorded a 67-second tirade between periods in a game against Arizona that featured 20 f-bombs, followed by a quiet exchange with Burns that included one more. The Sharks were struggling to get into playoff position and trailed the Coyotes 2-0 at the time. San Jose went on to win 4-2, with Pavelski's hat trick leading the way.

Pavelski has worked hard to become one the NHL's best goal scorers, specifically when it comes to deflecting shots. At practices, he positions himself in the slot – high and low – with his back to the net, tipping one puck after another fired his way from the blueline. Teammates have adapted their games accordingly. "As a D-man, it's huge," said Marc-Edouard Vlasic. "You just throw it to an area and he'll find it. You just put it to where his stick is, and he'll find a way to tip it in."

SNEAKY SNIPER
Most fans wouldn't know it, but only two players (Ovechkin and Stamkos) have more goals than Pavelski over the past half-dozen seasons.

HE'S SUCH A CEREBRAL PLAYER AND PERSON. HE THINKS THINGS THROUGH & UNDERSTANDS SITUATIONS – *Todd McLellan*

It's now been more than a decade since Pavelski reached the NHL in November 2006. As a young player, he was motivated to improve his game by the talent around him, particularly Thornton and Marleau. Now 33 and entering his 12th NHL season, the Sharks captain finds himself in the mentor role. "You can go up and pick his brain whenever you want – he's really open to that," said 23-year-old Sharks center Chris Tierney. "But I think the best way for me to learn is watching him and seeing how he does it."

There are few better examples.

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NHL TEAM REPORTS

REPEAT REPEAT
Expect a similar scene in the summer of 2018: we're picking Crosby and the Penguins to march in a third straight parade in Pittsburgh.

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EVERYTHING CHANGES. NOTHING CHANGES

The NHL is in total flux...except for the thing that matters most: the Penguins will reign again thanks to their superstar core

BY MATT LARKIN

IT'S AN ERA of unprecedented parity. Except it isn't. The NHL pours 30 teams, now 31, into a metaphorical paint mixer and shakes out a different result every year. Seven teams stole playoff spots in 2016-17 after missing in 2015-16. That's a 14-team swing.

In our modern hockey universe, 19-year-old Auston Matthews scores 40 goals, more than everyone except Sidney Crosby, while turning the Toronto Maple Leafs from punchline to powerhouse. Connor McDavid rattles off 100 points, 11 more than the closest player, and lifts the Edmonton Oilers into the playoffs for the first time in 11 seasons. The Nashville Predators enter the post-season as the No. 16 seed, sweep the first-place Chicago Blackhawks and reach the Stanley Cup final. We know now that we know nothing. That's especially true when it comes to the Central Division, which is so evenly matched among its top five or six teams that it took our prediction panel as long to hammer out those standings at it did the other three divisions combined. So, yes, we should expect shocking turnover again in 2017-18.

And yet, here we are, picking the Pittsburgh Penguins to three-peat as champions, a feat not accomplished since the New York Islanders won four straight Stanley Cups from 1980 to 1983. That will be 35 years ago next June. We're backing the Pens even though they've played a league-high 213 games over the past two seasons (regular season and playoffs), and despite the departures of Nick Bonino, Chris Kunitz, Trevor Daley, Ron Hainsey and Marc-Andre Fleury from the championship squad.

But, as coach Mike Sullivan told us last year, this team's motto is "Why not us?"

It helped Pittsburgh repeat, which no team had done since the 1998 Detroit Red Wings 19 years prior. The Penguins were "tired" and loaded with mileage entering last season, so why should that narrative scare us off now? Pittsburgh lost some support pieces, but superstar centers Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin remain the engines driving this team, backed by stud goalie Matt Murray and speedy snipers Phil Kessel, Jake Guentzel and Conor Sheary. Heck, the Penguins went all the way without No. 1 blueliner Kris Letang last year, and he returns to the lineup. So we could see an improved Pittsburgh squad. Any team good enough to win two straight titles instantly becomes the favorite to win three.

The Pens still have stiff competition, of course. Dallas and Tampa Bay are poised for bounce-back campaigns. The Stars improved more than anyone else, adding Alexander

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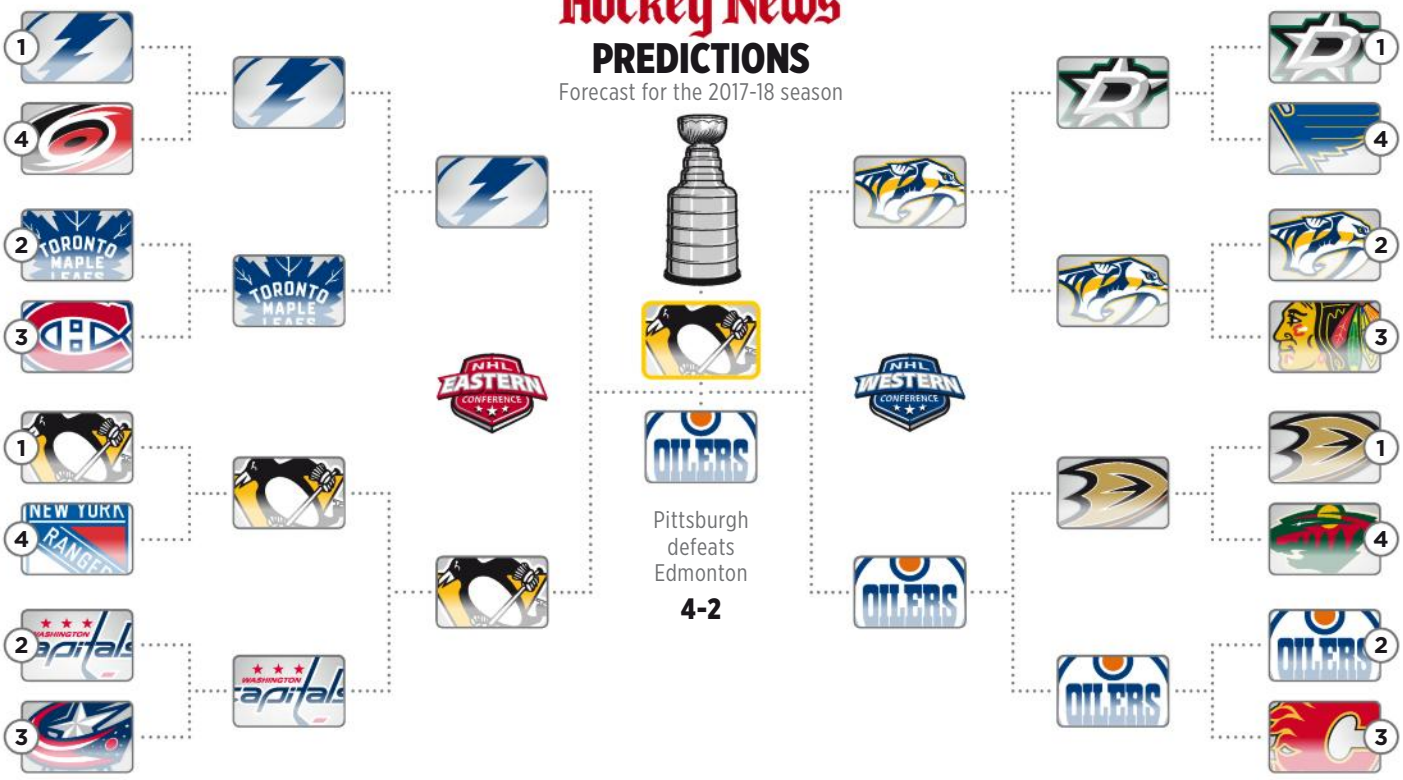
Forecast for the 2017-18 season



CLASS IS IN SESSION

It'll be Crosby vs. McDavid in the final, but No. 97 will need a lesson from 87 before getting his first Stanley Cup.

Radulov and Martin Hanzal up front, Marc Methot on defense and Ben Bishop in net. They have an excellent shot at their second Central crown in three years. The Lightning, meanwhile, missed the playoffs by just one point despite losing Steven Stamkos to a torn meniscus in November. They'll be dangerous.

Ryan Getzlaf leads a strong Anaheim team backed by a superb young defense corps, and we can't rule out Nashville returning to the final given it boasts the sport's best blue-line quartet in Roman Josi, P.K. Subban, Mattias Ekholm and Ryan Ellis.

And it's time to take the Canadian squads seriously. The Leafs are a legit threat to win the Atlantic, armed with tremendous depth and youth at forward, and the Calgary Flames retooled on defense and in goal after making good progress last year. In the end, we expect the Oilers to rise from the West, setting up an epic Stanley Cup final between McDavid and his childhood idol Crosby. Maybe we'll witness a passing of the torch. Or maybe, just like when Mike Bossy's Isles schooled Wayne Gretzky's Oilers in 1983, the new era will have to wait one more year.

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC

1 Tampa Bay Lightning
2 Toronto Maple Leafs
3 Montreal Canadiens
4 Ottawa Senators
5 Boston Bruins
6 Florida Panthers
7 Buffalo Sabres
8 Detroit Red Wings

METRO

1 Pittsburgh Penguins
2 Washington Capitals
3 Columbus Blue Jackets
4 New York Rangers*
5 Carolina Hurricanes*
6 Philadelphia Flyers
7 New York Islanders
8 New Jersey Devils

WESTERN CONFERENCE

PACIFIC

1 Anaheim Ducks
2 Edmonton Oilers
3 Calgary Flames
4 San Jose Sharks
5 Los Angeles Kings
6 Arizona Coyotes
7 Vancouver Canucks
8 Vegas Golden Knights

CENTRAL

1 Dallas Stars
2 Nashville Predators
3 Chicago Blackhawks
4 St. Louis Blues*
5 Minnesota Wild*
6 Winnipeg Jets
7 Colorado Avalanche

** playoff wild card*

PREDICTION | **1ST** in Pacific **STANLEY CUP ODDS** | **14/1**

Anaheim DUCKS

BY ERIC STEPHENS

FOR ONCE, DISAPPOINTMENT was not part of the Ducks' playoff vocabulary. To a degree. The Game 7 second-round win over Edmonton at Honda Center not only broke a string of four consecutive defeats in decisive games at home, but it sent the Ducks to the Western Conference final for the second time in three years. That's where they ran into Nashville, which has replaced Detroit as Anaheim's playoff nemesis. Three post-season meetings against the Predators have ended in failure, and the latest one prevented the Ducks from making a third appearance in the Stanley Cup final, the first since winning it all in 2007.

Taking the final step remains their goal. It has been an elusive one, with key injuries at the wrong time hindering the Ducks in the most critical of post-season games. The aging trio of Ryan Getzlaf, Corey Perry and Ryan Kesler, backed by the emerging new core, returns for another realistic shot at a championship. The feeling they need one more piece to put them over the top still exists for this battle-tested contender.

OFFENSE The threesome of Getzlaf, Perry and Kesler still define this team, but relying on them as they approach their mid-30s to provide all the power over an entire season isn't realistic. The good news is the Ducks' younger forwards are increasingly becoming regular contributors. Rickard Rakell (33) and Jakob Silfverberg (23) combined for 56 goals, Nick Ritchie scored 14 times in his first full season and Ondrej Kase emerged as a skilled winger who could reach double figures.

Patrick Eaves is back and should add production, even if it'll be tough to duplicate his career-high 32 goals. Landing free agent Patrick Marleau would've been ideal, but the longtime San Jose goal-scorer took his talents to Toronto instead of Anaheim.

TOP BILLING
The Ducks have come to be defined by their deep and talented D-corps, but Ryan Getzlaf, the team captain since 2010 and perennial scoring leader, remains the face of the franchise.

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JOHN GIBSON

DEFENSE This is one of the NHL's best units. Cam Fowler, who signed an eight-year extension and could one day succeed Getzlaf as captain, will head up the blueline corps along with Hampus Lindholm for the foreseeable future.

Sami Vatanen wasn't traded and should rebound from a down season. Josh Manson is emerging as one of the league's better physical defenders. Right-shooting youngster Brandon Montour will be a regular and offers plenty of upside. Kevin Bieksa's best days are long behind him, but he's still valued by the coaching staff.

GOALTENDING Stardom has been elusive for John Gibson. He has put up strong numbers, but injuries or uneven play – both of which occurred in the 2017 playoffs – have kept him from joining the league's elite. Ryan Miller, acquired as a UFA, could help him get there. The former Vezina Trophy winner isn't accustomed to a clear-cut backup role, but he can mentor Gibson and still has enough left to hold the net for long stretches.

SPECIAL TEAMS The power play regressed throughout 2016-17 and into the playoffs. Montour could see an expanded role, particularly after Shea Theodore was dealt to Vegas to protect Vatanen and Manson. Fowler will again be a quarterback, though Getzlaf often operates at the point in a four-forward setup. The Ducks' penalty killing remained strong, finishing fourth-best in the NHL last season. Kesler, Silfverberg and Andrew Cogliano are PK stalwarts, with faceoff ace Antoine Vermette aiding their efforts.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
46-23-13 (105 pts)

OT/SO
3-10/3-3

DIVISION
1st

OVERALL
6th

OFFENSE
2.68 GPG (18th)

DEFENSE
2.40 GAA (3rd)

POWER PLAY
18.7% (17th)

PENALTY KILL
84.7% (4th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.16% (19th)

1-GOAL GAMES
22-9-13 (.648)

2-GOAL GAMES
9-4 (.692)

3+ GOAL GAMES
15-10 (.600)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Ryan Kesler (21:18)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Cam Fowler (24:50)

FAST FACTS

GM
Bob Murray

COACH
Randy Carlyle

ARENA
Honda Center

CAPACITY
17,174

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
15,942 (22nd)

AHL AFFILIATE
San Diego Gulls

ECHL AFFILIATE
Utah Grizzlies

PLAYOFF RECORD
34-26 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	113
2013-14	116
2014-15	109
2015-16	103
2016-17	105

INTANGIBLES The organizational depth might be tested as Kesler, Lindholm and Vatanen could miss time recovering from off-season surgeries. Kesler had to undergo a hip procedure, while Lindholm and Vatanen went under the knife for major shoulder operations.

ROOKIES Max Jones (24th overall) and Sam Steel (30th), Anaheim's top two picks in the 2016 NHL draft, will challenge for fourth-line spots, but coach Randy Carlyle often prefers grinders in those low-minute roles. Jones and Steel have the potential to develop into top-six forwards in time. If they don't crack the Ducks' lineup, they have to play one more season of junior before being eligible to skate in the AHL.

X-FACTOR Where does Perry go from his subpar 2016-17 season? Were his 19 goals and 53 points – his lowest full-season totals in a decade – a one-year blip or a sign that his days as a top-flight scorer are dwindling? The Ducks need more production from Perry as there's no guarantee Eaves and Rakell will hit the 30-goal plateau again.

THE BRASS Reaching the final four in the playoffs earned Carlyle a one-year extension that pushes his team option to 2019-20. Two new voices will join him on the coaching staff, as former NHLer Steve Konowalchuk and longtime AHL assistant coach Mark Morrison were brought in. Konowalchuk, who coached the WHL's Seattle Thunderbirds for six seasons, replaces Paul MacLean.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Rickard Rakell
2 Andrew Cogliano
3 Nick Ritchie
4 Logan Shaw
5 Dennis Rasmussen

CENTER
1 Ryan Getzlaf
2 Ryan Kesler
3 Antoine Vermette
4 Chris Wagner
5 Derek Grant

RIGHT WING
1 Corey Perry
2 Jakob Silfverberg
3 Patrick Eaves
4 Ondrej Kase
5 Jared Boll

DEFENSE
1 Hampus Lindholm
2 Cam Fowler
3 Josh Manson
4 Sami Vatanen
5 Brandon Montour
6 Kevin Bieksa
7 Jacob Larsson
8 Jaycob Megna
9 Korbinian Holzer
10 Keaton Thompson

GOALIE
1 John Gibson
2 Ryan Miller
3 Dustin Tokarski

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Shea Theodore, D; Jonathan Bernier, G; Nate Thompson, C; Clayton Stoner, D; Ryan Garbutt, LW

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JACOB **LARSSON**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. JACOB LARSSON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Frolunda (Swe.)
Spent time maturing in Sweden after cracking Ducks' opening-day roster at 19 a year ago.
ACQUIRED 27th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. MAX JONES, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Power forward bumping his way through the OHL. Got into a few playoff games in the AHL.
ACQUIRED 24th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

3. SAM STEEL, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Showed magical touch with 50-goal season. Just needs to build a pro-style frame.
ACQUIRED 30th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

4. MAXIME COMTOIS, LW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Victoriaville (QMJHL)
Offense dried up in draft year, but he competes hard and is a powerful skater.
ACQUIRED 50th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

5. JOSH MAHURA, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Offense-minded blueliner bounced back after knee injury and trade from Red Deer.
ACQUIRED 85th overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

6. TROY TERRY, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Denver (NCHC)
WJC hero had breakout sophomore season and is almost ready to advance to next level.
ACQUIRED 148th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

7. MARCUS PETTERSSON, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Skelleftea (Swe.)
Large but light stay-at-home type. Big wingspan makes him a great asset in defensive end.
ACQUIRED 38th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

8. ANTOINE MORAND, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Acadie-Bathurst (QMJHL)
Small, creative playmaker gets pushed around a bit. Working at building inner-core strength.
ACQUIRED 60th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

9. JULIUS NATTINEN, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Won WJC gold with Finland in 2016 and won Memorial Cup with Windsor in 2017.
ACQUIRED 59th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

10. DEVEN SIDEROFF, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Kamloops (WHL)
Steady improvement all three WHL seasons. Best suited to the energy line at the next level.
ACQUIRED 84th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

MAXIME COMTOIS

POSITION
Left winger

SELECTED
50th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Victoriaville

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Brandon Saad

SCOUTING REPORT
A potential first-rounder who slid to Anaheim in Round 2, Comtois is a responsible two-way player who showed offensive promise in the past. He has a big frame and can be deadly when shorthanded.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Reto Berra	1/3/87	Springfield (AHL)	31	12	14	3	2.53	.910
Bulach, Switzerland		*6-4, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/17*					
John Gibson	7/14/93	Anaheim	52	25	16	9	2.22	.924
Pittsburgh, Pa.		*6-3, 226*	*Draft: 39th overall ('11)*					
Ryan Miller	7/17/80	Vancouver	54	18	29	6	2.80	.914
East Lansing, Mich.		*6-2, 168*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Dustin Tokarski	9/16/89	San Diego (AHL)	27	17	8	1	2.93	.898
Watson, Sask.		*6-0, 205*	*Trade: Mtl 1/7/16*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kevin Bieksa	6/16/81	Anaheim	81	3	11	14	63
Grimsby, Ont.		*6-1, 200*	*Trade: Van 6/30/15*				
Cam Fowler	12/5/91	Anaheim	80	11	28	39	20
Windsor, Ont.		*6-1, 207*	*Draft: 12th overall ('10)*				
Korbinian Holzer	2/16/88	Anaheim	32	2	5	7	23
Munich, Germany		*6-3, 215*	*Trade: Tor 3/2/15*				
Jacob Larsson	4/29/97	Frolunda (Swe)	29	1	4	5	16
Ljungby, Sweden		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 27th overall ('15)*				
Hampus Lindholm	1/20/94	Anaheim	66	6	14	20	36
Helsingborg, Sweden		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 6th overall ('12)*				
Josh Mahura	5/5/98	RD/Reg (WHL)	73	17	36	53	57
St. Albert, Alta.		*6-0, 178*	*Draft: 85th overall ('16)*				
Josh Manson	10/7/91	Anaheim	82	5	12	17	82
Hinsdale, Ill.		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 160th overall ('11)*				
Jaycob Megna	12/10/92	San Diego (AHL)	62	5	22	27	37
Plantation, Fla.		*6-6, 225*	*Draft: 210th overall ('12)*				
Brandon Montour	4/11/94	Anaheim	27	2	4	6	14
Brantford, Ont.		*6-0, 192*	*Draft: 55th overall ('14)*				
Steve Oleksy	2/4/86	WBS/Tor (AHL)	36	4	10	14	55
Chesterfield, Mich.		*6-0, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/17*				
Marcus Pettersson	5/8/96	Skelleftea (Swe)	41	2	7	9	49
Skelleftea, Sweden		*6-4, 167*	*Draft: 38th overall ('14)*				
Keaton Thompson	9/14/95	San Diego (AHL)	52	4	12	16	29
Devils Lake, N.D.		*6-0, 182*	*Draft: 87th overall ('13)*				
Sami Vatanen	6/3/91	Anaheim	71	3	21	24	30
Jyvaskyla, Finland		*5-10, 183*	*Draft: 106th overall ('09)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sam Carrick	2/4/92	Rfd/SD (AHL)	72	14	25	39	105
Markham, Ont.		*6-0, 188*	*Trade: Chi 3/1/17*				
Ryan Getzlaf	5/10/85	Anaheim	74	15	58	73	49
Regina, Sask.		*6-4, 221*	*Draft: 19th overall ('03)*				
Derek Grant	4/20/90	Nsh/Buf	46	0	4	4	24
Abbotsford, B.C.		*6-3, 212*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Mitch Hults	11/13/94	Lake Superior St. (WCHA)	36	11	23	34	42
Madison, Wis.		*6-2, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 3/20/17*				
Ryan Kesler	8/31/84	Anaheim	82	22	36	58	83
Livonia, Mich.		*6-2, 202*	*Trade: Van 6/27/14*				
Antoine Morand	2/18/99	A.-Bathurst (QMJHL)	67	28	46	74	52
Chateauguay, Que.		*5-10, 178*	*Draft: 60th overall ('17)*				
Julius Nattinen	1/14/97	Windsor (OHL)	51	13	25	38	16
Jyvaskyla, Finland		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 59th overall ('15)*				
Sam Steel	2/3/98	Regina (WHL)	66	50	81	131	40
Ardrossan, Alta.		*5-11, 178*	*Draft: 30th overall ('16)*				
Troy Terry	9/10/97	Denver (NCHC)	35	22	23	45	22
Denver, Colo.		*5-11, 160*	*Draft: 148th overall ('15)*				
Antoine Vermette	7/20/82	Anaheim	72	9	19	28	42
St. Agapit, Que.		*6-1, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 8/15/16*				
Chris Wagner	5/27/91	Anaheim	43	6	1	7	6
Walpole, Mass.		*6-0, 195*	*Waivers: Col 2/25/16*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andrew Cogliano	6/14/87	Anaheim	82	16	19	35	26
Toronto, Ont.		*5-10, 184*	*Trade: Edm 7/12/11*				
Maxime Comtois	1/8/99	Victoriaville (QMJHL)	64	22	29	51	88
Longueuil, Que.		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 50th overall ('17)*				
Max Jones	2/17/98	London (OHL)	33	17	19	36	65
Rochester, Mich.		*6-3, 203*	*Draft: 24th overall ('16)*				
Ondrej Kase	11/8/95	Anaheim	53	5	10	15	18
Kadan, Czech.		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 205th overall ('14)*				
Nicolas Kerdiles	1/11/94	San Diego (AHL)	27	7	8	15	25
Lewisville, Texas		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 36th overall ('12)*				
Kalle Kossila	4/14/93	San Diego (AHL)	65	14	34	48	8
Kaunianen, Finland		*5-11, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/16*				
Rickard Rakell	5/5/93	Anaheim	71	33	18	51	12
Sundbyberg, Sweden		*6-2, 201*	*Draft: 30th overall ('11)*				
Dennis Rasmussen	7/3/90	Chicago	68	4	4	8	12
Vasteras, Sweden		*6-3, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/7/17*				
Nick Ritchie	12/5/95	Anaheim	77	14	14	28	62
Orangeville, Ont.		*6-2, 232*	*Draft: 10th overall ('14)*				
Logan Shaw	10/5/92	Anaheim	55	3	7	10	10
Glace Bay, N.S.		*6-3, 202*	*Trade: Fla 11/16/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jared Boll	5/13/86	Anaheim	51	0	3	3	87
Charlotte, N.C.		*6-3, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/16*				
Patrick Eaves	5/1/84	Dal/Ana	79	32	19	51	24
Calgary, Alta.		*6-0, 200*	*Trade: Dal 2/24/17*				
Corey Perry	5/16/85	Anaheim	82	19	34	53	76
Peterborough, Ont.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 28th overall ('03)*				
Deven Sideroff	4/14/97	Kamloops (WHL)	67	36	42	78	49
Kamloops, B.C.		*5-11, 171*	*Draft: 84th overall ('15)*				
Jakob Silfverberg	10/13/90	Anaheim	79	23	26	49	20
Gavle, Sweden		*6-2, 196*	*Trade: Ott 7/5/13*				
Corey Tropp	7/25/89	San Diego (AHL)	62	21	33	54	48
Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.		*6-0, 185*	*Trade: Chi 2/29/16*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
		EXTENDED STATS																TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
15	Ryan Getzlaf	74	15	58	73	7	49	6	2	3	138	10.9	50	20	509	503	50.3	3:04	1:40	21:04	17	8	11	19	7	8
17	Ryan Kesler	82	22	36	58	8	83	8	0	2	186	11.8	38	20	1,029	764	57.4	2:51	2:43	21:18	17	1	7	8	-6	32
10	Corey Perry	82	19	34	53	2	76	5	0	3	215	8.8	33	20	7	13	35.0	2:53	0:01	17:42	17	4	7	11	4	34
67	Rickard Rakell	71	33	18	51	10	12	5	0	10	177	18.6	39	12	62	85	42.2	2:15	0:00	17:23	15	7	6	13	13	0
18	Patrick Eaves	79	32	19	51	-2	24	13	0	2	209	15.3	33	18	2	2	50.0	2:57	0:10	16:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Dal	59	21	16	37	-10	16	11	0	1	154	13.6	21	16	2	2	50.0	3:10	0:13	16:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ana	20	11	3	14	8	8	2	0	1	55	20.0	12	2	—	—	—	2:18	0:00	15:42	7	2	2	4	0	6
33	Jakob Silfverberg	79	23	26	49	10	20	5	1	5	227	10.1	39	9	1	6	14.3	1:57	1:37	18:29	17	9	5	14	-4	6
4	Cam Fowler	80	11	28	39	7	20	5	1	3	186	5.9	22	15	—	—	—	3:06	2:45	24:50	13	2	7	9	-6	2
7	Andrew Cogliano	82	16	19	35	11	26	0	3	2	178	9.0	31	0	8	10	44.4	0:04	1:46	15:08	17	1	2	3	-3	9
37	Nick Ritchie	77	14	14	28	4	62	1	0	3	149	9.4	26	2	4	4	50.0	0:33	0:03	12:59	15	4	0	4	-1	46
50	Antoine Vermette	72	9	19	28	-7	42	5	0	1	88	10.2	17	11	744	451	62.3	1:53	0:55	15:54	17	1	2	3	-3	2
45	Sami Vatanen	71	3	21	24	3	30	2	0	0	117	2.6	10	14	—	—	—	2:50	2:09	21:39	12	1	5	6	-5	4
47	Hampus Lindholm	66	6	14	20	13	36	1	0	2	94	6.4	15	5	2	0	100.0	1:52	2:25	22:26	17	1	3	4	8	10
42	Josh Manson	82	5	12	17	14	82	0	1	1	88	5.7	15	0	—	—	—	0:04	2:20	18:37	17	0	3	3	-2	20
86	*Ondrej Kase	53	5	10	15	-1	18	0	0	2	77	6.5	15	0	1	6	14.3	0:13	0:00	11:47	9	2	0	2	2	4
2	Kevin Bieksa	81	3	11	14	0	63	1	0	1	94	3.2	11	3	—	—	—	0:56	1:41	18:45	8	0	4	4	5	23
48	Logan Shaw	55	3	7	10	3	10	0	1	1	59	5.1	8	0	55	90	37.9	0:02	1:27	9:42	9	0	0	0	0	4
53	*Shea Theodore	34	2	7	9	-6	28	1	0	1	60	3.3	6	2	—	—	—	2:10	0:46	17:18	14	2	6	8	1	4
21	Chris Wagner	43	6	1	7	2	6	0	0	0	40	15.0	7	0	62	86	41.9	0:04	1:23	9:21	17	3	0	3	1	6
5	Korbinian Holzer	32	2	5	7	0	23	0	0	0	14	14.3	7	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:51	13:30	5	0	0	0	0	18
71	*Brandon Montour	27	2	4	6	11	14	0	0	0	50	4.0	5	1	—	—	—	1:53	0:16	17:22	17	0	7	7	12	4
16	Ryan Garbutt	27	2	1	3	-3	20	0	0	1	26	7.7	2	0	7	4	63.6	0:04	1:10	9:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Clayton Stoner	14	1	2	3	0	28	0	0	0	16	6.3	3	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:12	17:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Jared Boll	51	0	3	3	-3	87	0	0	0	13	0.0	3	0	0	1	0.0	0:02	0:00	5:48	8	0	0	0	-1	5
44	Nate Thompson	30	1	1	2	4	14	0	0	0	19	5.3	2	0	130	115	53.1	0:07	1:35	10:23	17	2	4	6	6	6
59	*Nick Sorensen	5	0	1	1	-1	2	0	0	0	7	0.0	1	0	1	0	100.0	0:58	0:04	10:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	John Gibson	52	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	16	0	0	0	—	0
75	*Jaycob Megna	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:59	15:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	*Kalle Kossila	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	3	4	42.9	0:00	0:00	6:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
58	*Nicolas Kerdiles	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	0	100.0	0:00	0:00	11:08	4	0	1	1	1	2
41	Corey Tropp	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	9:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Dustin Tokarski	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Simon Despres	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	3:51	2:49	16:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Emerson Etem	3	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:22	0:18	8:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	*Jacob Larsson	4	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:04	2:03	16:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	Mason Raymond	4	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:09	0:00	8:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Jonathan Bernier	39	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
30	Dustin Tokarski	1	10	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1.000	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	John Gibson	52	2,950	2.22	25	16	9	3	6	109	1,437	.924	0	1	4	16	879	2.59	9	5	1	0	38	466	.918
1	Jonathan Bernier	39	1,993	2.50	21	7	4	2	2	83	982	.915	0	0	4	4	183	3.28	1	2	3	0	10	79	.873

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . Ari
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . Phi
3. Mon. Oct. 9 . . . . . Cgy
4. Wed. Oct. 11 . . . . . NYI
5. Fri. Oct. 13 . . . . . at Col
6. Sun. Oct. 15 . . . . . Buf
7. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . Mtl
8. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Phi
9. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at Fla
10. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at TB
11. Sun. Oct. 29 . . . . . at Car
12. Wed. Nov. 1 . . . . . Tor
13. Fri. Nov. 3 . . . . . Nsh
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . at SJ
15. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . LA
16. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . Van
17. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . TB
18. Wed. Nov. 15 . . . . . Bos
19. Sun. Nov. 19 . . . . . Fla
20. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . . at SJ
21. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . Veg
22. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . Wpg
23. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at LA
24. Mon. Nov. 27 . . . . . at Chi
25. Wed. Nov. 29 . . . . . at StL
26. Fri. Dec. 1 . . . . . at Clb
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Nsh
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . at Veg
29. Wed. Dec. 6 . . . . . Ott
30. Fri. Dec. 8 . . . . . Min
31. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . Car
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . at StL
33. Sat. Dec. 16 . . . . . at Wsh
34. Mon. Dec. 18 . . . . . at NJ
35. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at NYR
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . at NYI
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at Pit
38. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . Veg
39. Fri. Dec. 29 . . . . . Cgy
40. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . Ari
41. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . at Van
42. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Edm
43. Sat. Jan. 6 . . . . . at Cgy
44. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . at LA
45. Mon. Jan. 15 . . . . . at Col
46. Wed. Jan. 17 . . . . . Pit
47. Fri. Jan. 19 . . . . . LA
48. Sun. Jan. 21 . . . . . SJ
49. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . NYR
50. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Wpg
51. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . at Bos
52. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . at Ott
53. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . at Mtl
54. Mon. Feb. 5 . . . . . at Tor
55. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . at Buf
56. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . Edm
57. Sun. Feb. 11 . . . . . SJ
58. Tue. Feb. 13 . . . . . at Det
59. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Chi
60. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . at Min
61. Mon. Feb. 19 . . . . . at Veg
62. Wed. Feb. 21 . . . . . Dal
63. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at Ari
64. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . Edm
65. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . Clb
66. Sun. Mar. 4 . . . . . Chi
67. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . Wsh
68. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . at Nsh
69. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . at Dal
70. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . StL
71. Wed. Mar. 14 . . . . . Van
72. Fri. Mar. 16 . . . . . Det
73. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . NJ
74. Wed. Mar. 21 . . . . . at Cgy
75. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . at Wpg
76. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . at Edm
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . at Van
78. Fri. Mar. 30 . . . . . LA
79. Sun. Apr. 1 . . . . . Col
80. Wed. Apr. 4 . . . . . Min
81. Fri. Apr. 6 . . . . . Dal
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . at Ari

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Arizona COYOTES

BY SARAH MCLELLAN

AFTER THEIR COMPETITIVENESS waned as they limped through the 2016-17 season, it was clear the Coyotes needed a boost to get their rebuild back on track. But it wasn't just the lineup that changed. Their identity did.

Amid a sweeping overhaul that included owner Andrew Barroway buying out his minority partners, Arizona cut ties with former franchise cornerstones and ushered out captain Shane Doan, goalie Mike Smith and coach Dave Tippett. The team welcomed several fresh faces, using the trade market to address key holes up front, on the back end and in net – adding reinforcements to help support its young core as the group acclimates to the big leagues.

Time will tell if these decisions were enough to spark improvement and inch the Coyotes up the standings after the team has missed out on the playoffs the past five seasons. What this makeover has done already, though, is signal a new era for the franchise.

OFFENSE The Coyotes acquired Derek Stepan from the Rangers to take over as the No. 1 center, a position that has been a weak spot for years. Stepan, a former 20-goal scorer who has eclipsed 50 points in each of the past four seasons, will help stabilize the middle of the ice, where the Coyotes figure to be particularly youthful. Sophomore Christian Dvorak had 15 goals as a rookie, while Dylan Strome will vie for a full-time job after an abbreviated stint last year. The team also obtained Nick Cousins from Philadelphia.

Arizona has plenty of options at left wing with Max Domi leading the pack, but it's is thin on the right side, especially after their leading goal-scorer, Radim Vrbata, signed with Florida.

DEFENSE Oliver Ekman-Larsson has long been an elite No. 1 defenseman, but now Arizona has a legit top pairing after acquiring Niklas Hjalmarsson from Chicago. A three-time Stanley Cup champion, Hjalmarsson's shutdown style complements Ekman-Larsson's offensive flair – which diminished last season as he played six weeks with a broken thumb and dealt with the death of his mother. Hjalmarsson joins a blueline that also includes Alex Goligoski, Luke Schenn, Jakob Chychrun and newly signed Adam Clendening.

OLIVER EKMAN-LARSSON

Goligoski, a prized addition a year ago, could make a greater impact now that he's familiar with the team, and Chychrun is a dynamic youngster who impressed as an 18-year-old in his rookie season.

GOALTENDING Despite a renaissance performance as perhaps the Coyotes' most valuable player, Smith was traded to Calgary. Arizona tabbed Antti Raanta to be his replacement after landing him in the same trade that netted Stepan. Raanta is primed for an opportunity to be a No. 1 after being a standout backup for

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
30-42-10 (70 pts)

OT/SO
4-8/6-2

DIVISION
6th

OVERALL
28th

OFFENSE
2.33 GPG (27th)

DEFENSE
3.15 GAA (28th)

POWER PLAY
16.2% (26th)

PENALTY KILL
77.3% (27th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
44.17% (30th)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-12-10 (.595)

2-GOAL GAMES
5-8 (.384)

3+ GOAL GAMES
5-22 (.185)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Martin Hanzal (18:35)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
O. Ekman-Larsson (24:36)

FAST FACTS

GM
John Chayka

COACH
Rick Tocchet

ARENA
Gila River Arena

CAPACITY
17,125

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
13,095 (29th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Tucson Roadrunners

PLAYOFF RECORD
0-0 (since 2013)

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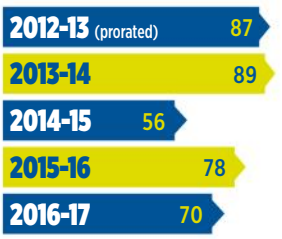
TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES Youth remains essential to the Coyotes successfully completing their rebuild, but proven pros may be an important catalyst. Not only have Arizona's off-season additions logged plenty of games, but Hjalmarsson, Stepan and Raanta have basked in a winning culture by representing some of the league's premier teams.

ROOKIES Strome isn't the only rookie contending for a roster spot with the Coyotes. Clayton Keller, who appeared in three games at the end of last season after leaving Boston University, will also audition. Keller was the league's top-ranked prospect in THN's Future Watch 2017 and enters the season as one of the early favorites for the Calder Trophy. Christian Fischer, who spent much of 2016-17 in the minors, is another possibility at right wing.

X-FACTOR How the off-season additions integrate into the lineup will partly determine whether the Coyotes succeed, but the youngsters also have influence since they comprise a sizeable chunk of the roster. If the two groups can work together effectively, Arizona has a good chance to improve.

THE BRASS GM John Chayka formed a brain trust with Tippett and former president of hockey operations Gary Drummond last season. But with Tippett out the door and Drummond – who was also a co-owner – moving on after getting bought out, Chayka has been the face of the Coyotes' maneuvering.

the past four seasons. Whether or not he finds a groove as a starter will help decide the Coyotes' trajectory.

SPECIAL TEAMS New arrivals like Stepan and Hjalmarsson should spruce up Arizona's atrocious special teams. Stepan is an established penalty killer who can win faceoffs, and Hjalmarsson is a prolific shot-blocker. An improved Ekman-Larsson is also key, as he quarterbacks the power play. A different scheme with the man advantage seems likely after the team parted ways with assistant coach Newell Brown.

DOG IN THE FIGHT
Arizona is counting on production from feisty undersized winger Max Domi, whose sophomore season was cut short by an injury he sustained engaging in fisticuffs.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Max Domi
2 Clayton Keller
3 Brendan Perlini
4 Lawson Crouse
5 Michael Bunting

CENTER
1 Derek Stepan
2 Christian Dvorak
3 Dylan Strome
4 Nick Cousins
5 Brad Richardson

RIGHT WING
1 Anthony Duclair
2 Tobias Rieder
3 Jamie McGinn
4 Jordan Martinook
5 Christian Fischer

DEFENSE
1 Oliver Ekman-Larsson
2 Niklas Hjalmarsson
3 Alex Goligoski
4 Jakob Chychrun
5 Luke Schenn
6 Kevin Connauton
7 Adam Clendening
8 Kyle Wood
9 Andrew Campbell
10 Joel Hanley

GOALIE
1 Antti Raanta
2 Louis Domingue
3 Adin Hill

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Mike Smith, G; Radim Vrbata, RW; Connor Murphy, D; Anthony DeAngelo, D; Alexander Burmistrov, C; Peter Holland, C; Josh Jooris, C

CLAYTON **KELLER**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. CLAYTON KELLER, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Skilled pivot left NCAA after one year. Helped Team USA beat Canada at the 2017 WJC.
ACQUIRED 7th overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. DYLAN STROME, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
Lack of foot speed and physical maturity has forestalled his ascension to regular NHL duty.
ACQUIRED 3rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

3. CHRISTIAN FISCHER, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Has a pro-style frame and plays a heavy game. Skating is gradually coming along.
ACQUIRED 32nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

4. PIERRE-OLIVIER JOSEPH, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Charlottetown (QMJHL)
Smart, composed puck-mover has great mobility but needs physical development.
ACQUIRED 23rd overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

5. NICK MERKLEY, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Kelowna (WHL)
Intelligent, undersized winger has good hockey IQ, but he's lousy at staying healthy.
ACQUIRED 30th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

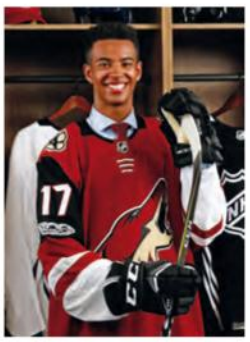
6. KYLE WOOD, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Towering, beefy defender with a big shot needs to ramp up skating to get to next level.
ACQUIRED From Col, Feb. 2016 **NHL** '19-20

7. ADIN HILL, G
AGE 21 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Former Portland workhorse stopper had up-and-down challenging rookie pro season.
ACQUIRED 76th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

8. BRANDON HICKEY, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
The return on the Mike Smith trade got more offensively involved throughout junior year.
ACQUIRED From Cgy, June 2017 **NHL** '19-20

9. FILIP WESTERLUND, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Frolunda (Swe.)
Westerlund's skating, passing and puck control abilities make him stand out.
ACQUIRED 44th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

10. RYAN MACINNIS, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Lanky pivot plays a responsible two-way game, but he was snakebitten around net as rookie pro.
ACQUIRED 43rd overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

PIERRE-OLIVIER JOSEPH

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
23rd overall

2016-17 TEAM
Charlottetown

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Roman Josi

SCOUTING REPORT
Joseph has only scratched the surface. A smart, puck-moving defenseman built for the modern game, he comes from a hockey family and competes hard. All he needs to do now is fill out his 6-foot-2 frame.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Louis Domingue	3/6/92	Arizona	31	11	15	1	3.08	.908
St-Hyacinthe, Que.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 138th overall ('10)*					
Adin Hill	5/11/96	Tucson (AHL)	40	16	14	6	3.16	.906
Comox, B.C.		*6-6, 202*	*Draft: 76th overall ('15)*					
Marek Langhamer	7/22/94	Tucson (AHL)	25	8	11	2	3.36	.902
Moravska Trebova, Czech.		*6-2, 193*	*Draft: 184th overall ('12)*					
Hunter Miska	7/7/95	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	39	27	5	5	2.20	.920
Stacy, Minn.		*6-1, 170*	*Free Agent: signed 4/15/17*					
Antti Raanta	5/12/89	NY Rangers	30	16	8	2	2.26	.922
Rauma, Finland		*6-0, 195*	*Trade: NYR 6/23/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andrew Campbell	2/4/88	Toronto (AHL)	75	6	16	22	62
Caledonia, Ont.		*6-4, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Kyle Capobianco	8/13/97	Sudbury (OHL)	65	10	37	47	66
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-1, 178*	*Draft: 63rd overall ('15)*				
Jakob Chychrun	3/31/98	Arizona	68	7	13	20	47
Boca Raton, Fla.		*6-3, 200*	*Draft: 16th overall ('16)*				
Adam Clendening	10/26/92	NY Rangers	31	2	9	11	17
Niagara Falls, N.Y.		*6-0, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Kevin Connauton	2/23/90	Arizona	24	0	1	1	24
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-2, 205*	*Waivers: Clb 1/13/16*				
Oliver Ekman-Larsson	7/17/91	Arizona	79	12	27	39	48
Karlskrona, Sweden		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 6th overall ('09)*				
Alex Goligoski	7/30/85	Arizona	82	6	30	36	28
Grand Rapids, Minn.		*5-11, 185*	*Trade: Dal 6/16/16*				
Joel Hanley	6/8/91	St. John's (AHL)	65	2	20	22	34
Keswick, Ont.		*6-0, 193*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Brandon Hickey	4/13/96	Boston U. (HE)	35	4	11	15	41
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-2, 201*	*Trade: Cgy 6/17/17*				
Niklas Hjalmarsson	6/6/87	Chicago	73	5	13	18	20
Eksjo, Sweden		*6-3, 197*	*Trade: Chi 6/23/17*				
Pierre-Olivier Joseph	7/1/99	Charlottetown (QMJHL)	62	6	33	39	54
Laval, Que.		*6-2, 161*	*Draft: 23rd overall ('17)*				
Luke Schenn	11/2/89	Arizona	78	1	7	8	85
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-2, 229*	*Free Agent: signed 7/23/16*				
Jalen Smereck	1/15/97	Flint (OHL)	60	9	36	45	62
Detroit, Mich.		*6-0, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 10/6/16*				
Filip Westerlund	4/17/99	Frolunda (Swe)	33	0	4	4	6
Sabra, Sweden		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 44th overall ('17)*				
Kyle Wood	5/4/96	Tucson (AHL)	68	14	29	43	16
Waterloo, Ont.		*6-7, 235*	*Trade: Col 2/29/16*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Nick Cousins	7/20/93	Philadelphia	60	6	10	16	31
Belleville, Ont.		*5-10, 188*	*Trade: Phi 6/16/17*				
Christian Dvorak	2/2/96	Arizona	78	15	18	33	22
Palos, Ill.		*6-0, 187*	*Draft: 58th overall ('14)*				
Tyler Gaudet	4/4/93	Tucson (AHL)	62	6	16	22	36
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-3, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 11/4/13*				
Ryan MacInnis	2/14/96	Tucson (AHL)	68	8	9	17	50
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-3, 185*	*Draft: 43rd overall ('14)*				
Nick Merkley	5/23/97	Kelowna (WHL)	63	23	40	63	73
Calgary, Alta.		*5-10, 194*	*Draft: 30th overall ('15)*				
Lane Pederson	8/4/97	Swift Current (WHL)	62	25	40	65	39
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-1, 192*	*Free Agent: signed 10/13/16*				
Brad Richardson	2/4/85	Arizona	16	5	4	9	15
Belleville, Ont.		*6-0, 197*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Derek Stepan	6/18/90	NY Rangers	81	17	38	55	16
Hastings, Minn.		*6-0, 196*	*Trade: NYR 6/23/17*				
Dylan Strome	3/7/97	Erie (OHL)	35	22	53	75	18
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-3, 185*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Michael Bunting	9/17/95	Tucson (AHL)	67	13	15	28	52
Scarborough, Ont.		*5-11, 197*	*Draft: 117th overall ('14)*				
Max Domi	3/2/95	Arizona	59	9	29	38	40
Winnipeg, Man.		*5-10, 198*	*Draft: 12th overall ('13)*				
Emerson Etem	6/16/92	Anaheim	3	0	0	0	2
Long Beach, Calif.		*6-1, 212*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/17*				
Clayton Keller	7/29/98	Boston U. (HE)	31	21	24	45	26
Chesterfield, Mo.		*5-10, 168*	*Draft: 7th overall ('16)*				
Jordan Martinook	7/25/92	Arizona	77	11	14	25	40
Brandon, Man.		*6-0, 202*	*Draft: 58th overall ('12)*				
Brendan Perlini	4/27/96	Arizona	57	14	7	21	20
Guildford, England		*6-3, 211*	*Draft: 12th overall ('14)*				
Zac Rinaldo	6/15/90	Providence (AHL)	29	5	2	7	20
Mississauga, Ont.		*5-10, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Lawson Crouse	6/23/97	Arizona	72	5	7	12	48
Mt. Brydges, Ont.		*6-4, 220*	*Trade: Fla 8/25/16*				
Anthony Duclair	8/26/95	Arizona	58	5	10	15	14
Pointe-Claire, Que.		*5-11, 185*	*Trade: NYR 3/1/15*				
Christian Fischer	4/15/97	Tucson (AHL)	57	20	27	47	28
Chicago, Ill.		*6-2, 214*	*Draft: 32nd overall ('15)*				
Conor Garland	3/11/96	Tucson (AHL)	55	5	9	14	37
Scituate, Mass.		*5-10, 165*	*Draft: 123rd overall ('15)*				
Mario Kempe	9/19/88	Vityaz (KHL)	56	14	20	34	28
Kramfors, Sweden		*6-0, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 5/16/17*				
Jens Looke	4/11/97	Timra (Swe2)	46	8	8	16	10
Gavle, Sweden		*6-1, 180*	*Draft: 83rd overall ('15)*				
Jamie McGinn	8/5/88	Arizona	72	9	8	17	23
Fergus, Ont.		*6-1, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Tobias Rieder	1/10/93	Arizona	80	16	18	34	6
Landshut, Germany		*5-11, 185*	*Trade: Edm 3/29/13*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
17	Radim Vrbata	81	20	35	55	-18	16	4	0	4	233	8.6	40	15	17	30	36.2	2:41	0:15	16:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	O. Ekman-Larsson	79	12	27	39	-25	48	8	0	1	145	8.3	20	19	—	—	—	3:41	1:36	24:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Max Domi	59	9	29	38	-9	40	1	0	1	108	8.3	30	8	5	5	50.0	2:33	0:06	16:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Alex Goligoski	82	6	30	36	-9	28	1	1	0	112	5.4	26	8	—	—	—	2:10	2:27	23:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Tobias Rieder	80	16	18	34	-8	6	2	1	1	155	10.3	26	6	4	9	30.8	1:11	2:21	17:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	*Christian Dvorak	78	15	18	33	7	22	2	0	1	88	17.0	28	5	471	535	46.8	1:25	0:50	15:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Shane Doan	74	6	21	27	-3	48	3	0	0	144	4.2	22	5	94	105	47.2	1:33	0:00	15:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	Jordan Martinook	77	11	14	25	-8	40	1	1	2	109	10.1	20	2	460	577	44.4	0:22	2:14	15:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	*Brendan Perlini	57	14	7	21	-4	20	3	0	2	92	15.2	16	5	1	1	50.0	1:44	0:02	14:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	*Jakob Chychrun	68	7	13	20	-14	47	1	0	0	86	8.1	18	2	—	—	—	0:31	1:08	16:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Jamie McGinn	72	9	8	17	-23	23	0	0	2	116	7.8	15	2	1	2	33.3	0:58	0:00	13:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Connor Murphy	77	2	15	17	-13	45	0	1	1	81	2.5	16	0	—	—	—	0:16	1:50	19:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
91	Alex. Burmistrov	49	5	11	16	-7	12	4	0	0	45	11.1	10	5	178	259	40.7	1:09	0:53	13:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Wpg	23	0	2	2	-6	6	0	0	0	13	0.0	1	0	53	94	36.1	0:08	1:22	11:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	26	5	9	14	-1	6	4	0	0	32	15.6	9	5	125	165	43.1	2:03	0:26	15:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Anthony Duclair	58	5	10	15	-7	14	0	0	1	76	6.6	13	2	4	4	50.0	1:15	0:00	13:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
77	*Anthony DeAngelo	39	5	9	14	-13	37	2	0	1	60	8.3	6	8	—	—	—	2:26	0:03	17:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Peter Holland	48	5	7	12	-16	22	1	0	0	79	6.3	11	1	228	274	45.4	1:08	0:08	12:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	8	0	1	1	-2	4	0	0	0	13	0.0	1	0	26	30	46.4	0:48	0:40	10:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	40	5	6	11	-14	18	1	0	0	66	7.6	10	1	202	244	45.3	1:13	0:01	13:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
67	*Lawson Crouse	72	5	7	12	-20	48	0	1	2	84	6.0	11	0	1	1	50.0	0:01	1:28	11:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
86	Josh Jooris	54	4	8	12	-2	16	0	0	0	75	5.3	11	0	222	228	49.3	0:01	1:28	12:11	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NYR	12	1	1	2	1	6	0	0	0	11	9.1	2	0	30	29	50.8	0:01	0:17	8:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	42	3	7	10	-3	10	0	0	0	64	4.7	9	0	192	199	49.1	0:01	1:48	13:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Brad Richardson	16	5	4	9	-1	15	0	2	0	25	20.0	6	0	121	109	52.6	0:11	2:01	15:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Luke Schenn	78	1	7	8	-9	85	0	0	0	94	1.1	8	0	—	—	—	0:00	2:14	18:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	*Christian Fischer	7	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	10	30.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:13	12:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
76	*Laurent Dauphin	24	2	1	3	-2	12	0	1	1	32	6.3	2	0	37	45	45.1	0:01	1:42	10:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Teemu Pulkkinen	13	2	0	2	-2	6	0	0	0	10	20.0	2	0	0	1	0.0	0:41	0:00	9:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Min	9	1	0	1	-1	2	0	0	0	4	25.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:40	0:00	9:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	4	1	0	1	-1	4	0	0	0	6	16.7	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:41	0:00	9:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	*Clayton Keller	3	0	2	2	-3	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	1	—	—	—	1:43	0:00	12:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	*Tyler Gaudet	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	1	0	14	21	40.0	0:00	2:16	12:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	*Dylan Strome	7	0	1	1	-5	0	0	0	0	6	0.0	1	0	31	46	40.3	2:03	0:01	13:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Kevin Connauton	24	0	1	1	-1	24	0	0	0	21	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:13	0:49	13:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Marek Langhamer	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Jamie McBain	3	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:54	0:00	16:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Justin Peters	3	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Zbynek Michalek	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:18	17:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Louis Domingue	31	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Mike Smith	55	0	0	0	—	14	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON														2017 PLAYOFFS										
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
41	Mike Smith	55	3,202	2.92	19	26	9	8	3	156	1,819	.914	0	0	14	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Louis Domingue	31	1,599	3.08	11	15	1	3	0	82	888	.908	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Justin Peters	3	133	3.16	0	1	0	1	0	7	70	.900	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Marek Langhamer	1	16	3.75	0	0	0	0	0	1	8	.875	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... at Ana
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Veg
3. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... at Veg
4. Thu. Oct. 12 ..... Det
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... Bos
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at Dal
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... Dal
8. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... Chi
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... at NYI
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... at NYR
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at NJ
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... at Phi
13. Tue. Oct. 31 ..... at Det
14. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... Buf
15. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... Car
16. Mon. Nov. 6 ..... at Wsh
17. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... at Pit
18. Thu. Nov. 9 ..... at StL
19. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Wpg
20. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... at Wpg
21. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at Mtl
22. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Ott
23. Mon. Nov. 20 ..... at Tor
24. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... SJ
25. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... LA
26. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... Veg
27. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... at Edm
28. Thu. Nov. 30 ..... at Cgy
29. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... NJ
30. Sun. Dec. 3 ..... at Veg
31. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at Bos
32. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at Clb
33. Sun. Dec. 10 ..... at Chi
34. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... TB
35. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... Pit
36. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... Fla
37. Fri. Dec. 22 ..... Wsh
38. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Col
39. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... at Col
40. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... Tor
41. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... at Ana
42. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... Nsh
43. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... NYR
44. Fri. Jan. 12 ..... Edm
45. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... at SJ
46. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... SJ
47. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... at Nsh
48. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at StL
49. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... NYI
50. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Clb
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... Dal
52. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at LA
53. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... at Wpg
54. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... at Min
55. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... Phi
56. Mon. Feb. 12 ..... Chi
57. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... at SJ
58. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Mtl
59. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... Edm
60. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... Cgy
61. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... Ana
62. Sun. Feb. 25 ..... Van
63. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... Min
64. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... Ott
65. Mon. Mar. 5 ..... at Edm
66. Wed. Mar. 7 ..... at Van
67. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at Col
68. Sun. Mar. 11 ..... Van
69. Tue. Mar. 13 ..... LA
70. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... Nsh
71. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... Min
72. Mon. Mar. 19 ..... Cgy
73. Wed. Mar. 21 ..... at Buf
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... at Car
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... at Fla
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... at TB
77. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... at Veg
78. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... at LA
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... StL
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... at Cgy
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at Van
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... Ana

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Boston BRUINS

BY MIKE LOFTUS

AN ERA ENDED in Boston in 2016-17, with immediate, positive results. Claude Julien, the longest-tenured coach in the NHL at the time and Boston's all-time wins leader behind the bench, was fired just short of 10 complete seasons, and the Bruins returned to the playoffs for the first time since 2013-14 under his replacement, Bruce Cassidy.

The Bruins went 18-8-1 under Cassidy, who hadn't held an NHL head coaching position since his second and final season with the Capitals in 2003-04. Players responded to his faster-paced, attack-oriented style, and management and fans loved his 11-4-1 record at TD Garden, where the Bruins had been in danger of finishing below .500 for the second straight season. Cassidy, who spent the previous eight years with the Bruins' AHL affiliate in Providence (five as head coach), signed a multi-year deal shortly after a six-game, first-round loss to the Ottawa Senators in which every game was decided by a single goal.

OFFENSE Brad Marchand (39 goals, 85 points) and Patrice Bergeron (53 points) continued to establish themselves among the league's top forward tandems, and 21-year-old winger David Pastrnak put up 34 goals in his first full NHL season.

Scoring depth, however, must be addressed. David Krejci, Boston's only other 20-goal scorer last season, must establish better chemistry with wingers, and more production is needed from power forward David Backes, who scored 17 goals and 38 points in the first season of his five-year, $30-million deal.

The Bruins think several young forwards are ready to step in and contribute and that Cassidy's aggressive, rush-supporting system will result in scoring from defensemen other than Torey Krug (51 points).

NOSE FOR THE NET
Long known as an agitator and complementary two-way forward, left winger Brad Marchand earned Hart Trophy votes in 2016-17 and entered star stratosphere.

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ZDENO CHARA

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DEFENSE He's 40 years old and entering the final season of his contract, but captain Zdeno Chara remains a quality shutdown defender. He and veteran Adam McQuaid are all that remain from the defense corps that won the Stanley Cup in 2011 and reached the final in 2013 (although Krug debuted that post-season).

The Bruins' projected top seven has only two left-handed shots (Chara and Krug), with late-blooming Kevan Miller or ex-Jet Paul Postma expected to try the left side. The B's anticipate a 20-year-old (Brandon Carlo, mentored by Chara last season) and a 19-year-old (Charlie McAvoy, a 2016 first-round draftee) in the rotation.

GOALTENDING For the third straight season, the lack of an effective backup led Tuukka Rask to wear down. He had a 2.00 goals-against average and .927 save percentage in 31 appearances in the first half, then slid to 2.47 and .904 over 34 second-half appearances. Cassidy, however, gave Rask more rest down the stretch by giving regular assignments to veteran backup Anton Khudobin, who went 6-1-0 under the new coach. That system will likely continue.

SPECIAL TEAMS With four-time Selke Trophy winner Bergeron and Marchand the top forward tandem, and Chara joined by big shot-blockers McQuaid and Miller, the Bruins led the NHL in penalty-killing efficiency. With the exception of veteran center Dominic Moore, they'll bring their key personnel back. Marchand, a first-unit regular for the first time last season, responded with 24 power play points, while Pastrnak, another first-unit newcomer, led the club with 10 power play goals. Those moves gave the B's a more effective second group, which included Krejci and Backes.

INTANGIBLES The Bruins want to go younger, which makes the leadership of core veterans – Chara, Bergeron, Krejci, Marchand, McQuaid and Backes – critical. There are bound to be bumps in the road, so besides being productive, they must be patient, positive mentors. Cassidy, in his first full season (and with an altered cast of assistant coaches), has to sell everyone on staying the course.

ROOKIES McAvoy's playoff splash (26:11 per game, paired with Chara), just weeks out of Boston University, creates great expectations for his rookie season. Anders Bjork (52 points in 39 games at Notre Dame) tops the list of wingers who could win a job, and the Bruins are also very high on two-way center Jakob Forsbacka Karlsson.

X-FACTOR Cassidy, citing Pittsburgh's success mixing youngsters with star players, is counting on the veterans to bring the kids along. If it works, the B's see themselves as a deep, multi-faceted group. If not, they'll again rely on too few to do too much.

THE BRASS Third-year GM Don Sweeney has successfully restocked the prospect cupboard, but hasn't acquired much established talent. He may be forced to use some of the former to add the latter if this year's defense corps doesn't work out.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
44-31-7 (95 pts)

OT/SO
4-4/2-3

DIVISION
3rd

OVERALL
13th

OFFENSE
2.83 GPG (13th)

DEFENSE
2.55 GAA (9th)

POWER PLAY
21.7% (7th)

PENALTY KILL
85.7% (1st)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
55.19% (1st)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-11-7 (.608)

2-GOAL GAMES
6-10 (.375)

3+ GOAL GAMES
19-10 (.655)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
B. Marchand (19.26)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Zdeno Chara (23:19)

FAST FACTS

GM
Don Sweeney

COACH
Bruce Cassidy

ARENA
TD Garden

CAPACITY
17,565

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
17,565 (18th)

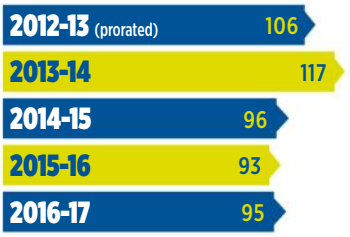
AHL AFFILIATE
Providence Bruins

ECHL AFFILIATE
Atlanta Gladiators

PLAYOFF RECORD
23-17 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Brad Marchand
2 Frank Vatrano
3 Matt Beleskey
4 Anders Bjork
5 Jake DeBrusk

CENTER
1 Patrice Bergeron
2 David Krejci
3 Ryan Spooner
4 Riley Nash
5 Jakob Forsbacka Karlsson

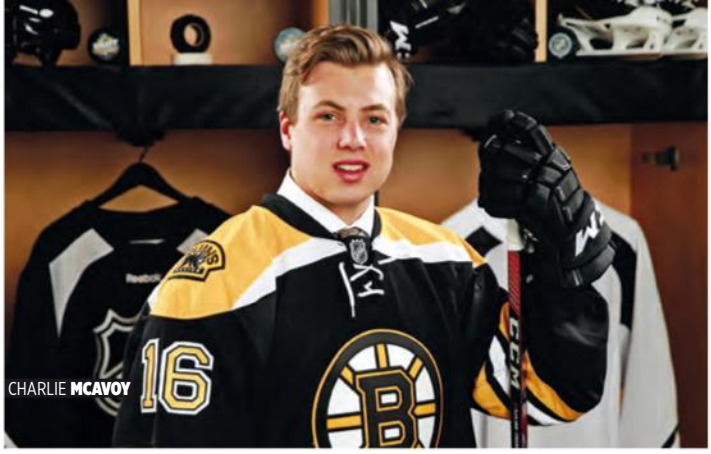
RIGHT WING
1 David Pastrnak
2 David Backes
3 Zach Senyshyn
4 Noel Acciari
5 Austin Czarnik

DEFENSE
1 Torey Krug
2 Zdeno Chara
3 Charlie McAvoy
4 Brandon Carlo
5 Kevan Miller
6 Adam McQuaid
7 Paul Postma
8 Matt Grzelcyk
9 Tommy Cross
10 Jakub Zboril

GOALIE
1 Tuukka Rask
2 Anton Khudobin
3 Zane McIntyre

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Colin Miller, D; Dominic Moore, C; Joe Morrow, D



Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. CHARLIE MCAVOY, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Standout performer for Team USA at 2017 WJC. Calder hopeful is strong skater with solid frame.
ACQUIRED 14th overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. ZACH SENYSHYN, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Fast and slick, he can score highlight-reel goals, and he has a hard shot from the wing.
ACQUIRED 15th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

3. JAKOB FORSBACKA KARLSSON, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Takes all aspects of the game seriously. Left NCAA to turn pro after sophomore season.
ACQUIRED 45th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

4. RYAN LINDGREN, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Minnesota (Big Ten)
Makes up for lack of size with passion. He's likely to turn pro after sophomore season.
ACQUIRED 49th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

5. JAKUB ZBORIL, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Saint John (QMJHL)
Physical style will serve him well in pro game, but he needs to show up more often.
ACQUIRED 13th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

6. TRENT FREDERIC, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Wisconsin (Big Ten)
Big center flashed offensive promise as freshman. He may be a leader for U.S. at 2018 WJC.
ACQUIRED 29th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. JEREMY LAUZON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)
Good size and a well-rounded game. He contributed for Canada at the WJC.
ACQUIRED 52nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

8. URHO VAAKANAINEN, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** JYP (Fin.)
With an almost unparalled ability to skate, he's physical and has a promising offensive bent.
ACQUIRED 18th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

9. JAKE DEBRUSK, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Providence (AHL)
Ex-NHLer Louie DeBrusk's son, Jake had 213 shots in his first pro season with Providence.
ACQUIRED 14th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

10. PETER CEHLARIK, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Providence (AHL)
Made smooth adjustment from Sweden by showing nice finishing ability in AHL.
ACQUIRED 90th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

URHO VAAKANAINEN

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
18th overall

2016-17 TEAM
JYP

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jake Gardiner

SCOUTING REPORT
Skating is Vaakanainen's calling card, and he has offensive upside to his game. An early hit, he has already played against men for two seasons, and he's fine with physicality. His hockey sense could improve.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Anton Khudobin	5/7/86	Boston	16	7	6	1	2.64	.904
Ust-Kamenogorsk, Kazakhstan		*5-11, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					
Zane McIntyre	8/20/92	Providence (AHL)	31	21	6	2	2.03	.930
Grand Forks, N.D.		*6-2, 206*	*Draft: 165th overall ('10)*					
Tuukka Rask	3/10/87	Boston	65	37	20	5	2.23	.915
Savonlinna, Finland		*6-3, 176*	*Trade: Tor 6/24/06*					
Malcolm Subban	12/21/93	Providence (AHL)	32	11	14	5	2.41	.917
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 24th overall ('12)*					
Dan Vladar	8/20/97	Atlanta (ECHL)	18	5	9	1	3.89	.887
Prague, Czech.		*6-5, 185*	*Draft: 75th overall ('15)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Brandon Carlo	11/26/96	Boston	82	6	10	16	59
Colorado Springs, Colo.		*6-5, 203*	*Draft: 37th overall ('15)*				
Zdeno Chara	3/18/77	Boston	75	10	19	29	59
Trencin, Slovakia		*6-9, 250*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/06*				
Tommy Cross	9/12/89	Providence (AHL)	74	12	23	35	69
Hartford, Conn.		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 35th overall ('07)*				
Matt Grzelcyk	1/5/94	Providence (AHL)	70	6	26	32	18
Charlestown, Mass.		*5-9, 174*	*Draft: 85th overall ('12)*				
Torey Krug	4/12/91	Boston	81	8	43	51	37
Livonia, Mich.		*5-9, 186*	*Free Agent: signed 3/25/12*				
Jeremy Lauzon	4/28/97	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	39	5	23	28	50
Val d'Or, Que.		*6-1, 204*	*Draft: 52nd overall ('15)*				
Ryan Lindgren	2/11/98	Minnesota (Big10)	32	1	6	7	65
Burnsville, Minn.		*6-0, 198*	*Draft: 49th overall ('16)*				
Charlie McAvoy	12/21/97	Boston U. (HE)	38	5	21	26	51
Long Beach, N.Y.		*6-0, 208*	*Draft: 14th overall ('16)*				
Adam McQuaid	10/12/86	Boston	77	2	8	10	71
Charlottetown, P.E.I.		*6-4, 212*	*Trade: Clb 5/16/07*				
Kevan Miller	11/15/87	Boston	58	3	10	13	50
Los Angeles, Calif.		*6-2, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 10/21/11*				
Rob O'Gara	7/6/93	Providence (AHL)	59	4	9	13	30
Massapequa, N.Y.		*6-4, 207*	*Draft: 151st overall ('11)*				
Paul Postma	2/22/89	Winnipeg	65	1	13	14	15
Red Deer, Alta.		*6-3, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Urho Vaakanainen	1/1/99	JYP (Fin)	41	2	4	6	12
Joensuu, Finland		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 18th overall ('17)*				
Jakub Zboril	2/21/97	Saint John (QMJHL)	50	9	32	41	44
Brno, Czech.		*6-0, 200*	*Draft: 13th overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Patrice Bergeron	7/24/85	Boston	79	21	32	53	24
Ancienne-Lorette, Que.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 45th overall ('03)*				
Austin Czarnik	12/12/92	Boston	49	5	8	13	12
Detroit, Mich.		*5-9, 160*	*Free Agent: signed 3/31/15*				
Ryan Fitzgerald	10/19/94	Boston College (HE)	34	12	19	31	56
Boca Raton, Fla.		*5-9, 172*	*Draft: 120th overall ('13)*				
J. Forsbacka Karlsson	10/31/96	Boston U. (HE)	39	14	19	33	32
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 184*	*Draft: 45th overall ('15)*				
Trent Frederic	2/11/98	Wisconsin (Big10)	30	15	18	33	32
St.Louis, Mo.		*6-2, 203*	*Draft: 29th overall ('16)*				
Danton Heinen	7/5/95	Providence (AHL)	64	14	30	44	14
Langley, B.C.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 116th overall ('14)*				
David Krejci	4/28/86	Boston	82	23	31	54	26
Sternberk, Czech.		*6-0, 186*	*Draft: 63rd overall ('04)*				
Sean Kuraly	1/20/93	Providence (AHL)	54	14	12	26	37
Dublin, Ohio		*6-2, 205*	*Trade: SJ 6/30/15*				
Ryan Spooner	1/30/92	Boston	78	11	28	39	14
Ottawa, Ont.		*5-10, 184*	*Draft: 45th overall ('10)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kenny Agostino	4/30/92	Chicago (AHL)	65	24	59	83	48
Morristown, N.J.		*6-0, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Matt Beleskey	6/7/88	Boston	49	3	5	8	47
Windsor, Ont.		*6-0, 203*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Anders Bjork	8/5/96	Notre Dame (HE)	39	21	31	52	16
Mequon, Wis.		*6-0, 186*	*Draft: 146th overall ('14)*				
Peter Cehlarik	8/2/95	Providence (AHL)	49	20	18	38	20
Zilina, Slovakia		*6-2, 202*	*Draft: 90th overall ('13)*				
Jake Debrusk	10/17/96	Providence (AHL)	74	19	30	49	30
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 183*	*Draft: 14th overall ('15)*				
Jesse Gabrielle	6/17/97	Prince George (WHL)	61	35	29	64	88
Edmonton, Alta.		*5-11, 204*	*Draft: 105th overall ('15)*				
Brad Marchand	5/11/88	Boston	80	39	46	85	81
Halifax, N.S.		*5-9, 181*	*Draft: 71st overall ('06)*				
Tim Schaller	11/16/90	Boston	59	7	7	14	23
Merrimack, N.H.		*6-2, 219*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Frank Vatrano	3/14/94	Boston	44	10	8	18	14
East Longmeadow, Mass.		*5-9, 201*	*Free Agent: signed 3/12/15*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Noel Acciari	12/1/91	Boston	29	2	3	5	16
Johnston, R.I.		*5-10, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 6/2/15*				
David Backes	5/1/84	Boston	74	17	21	38	69
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-3, 221*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Anton Blidh	3/14/95	Providence (AHL)	53	10	6	16	41
Molnlycke, Sweden		*6-0, 201*	*Draft: 180th overall ('13)*				
Riley Nash	5/9/89	Boston	81	7	10	17	14
Consort, Alta.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
David Pastrnak	5/25/96	Boston	75	34	36	70	34
Havirov, Czech.		*6-0, 181*	*Draft: 25th overall ('14)*				
Zach Senyshyn	3/30/97	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	59	42	23	65	31
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-1, 192*	*Draft: 15th overall ('15)*				
Jordan Szwarz	5/14/91	Providence (AHL)	65	22	32	54	76
Burlington, Ont.		*5-11, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
63	Brad Marchand	80	39	46	85	18	81	9	3	8	226	17.3	56	24	13	23	36.1	2:41	1:53	19:26	6	1	3	4	1	6
88	David Pastrnak	75	34	36	70	11	34	10	0	6	262	13.0	46	24	2	1	66.7	2:37	0:00	17:58	6	2	2	4	1	6
46	David Krejci	82	23	31	54	-12	26	8	0	3	158	14.6	40	14	659	620	51.5	2:31	0:29	18:15	3	0	0	0	-1	0
37	Patrice Bergeron	79	21	32	53	12	24	8	0	7	302	7.0	33	17	1,089	723	60.1	2:57	2:09	19:25	6	2	2	4	2	2
47	Torey Krug	81	8	43	51	-10	37	6	0	1	208	3.8	26	25	0	1	0.0	3:16	0:22	21:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Ryan Spooner	78	11	28	39	-8	14	3	0	3	145	7.6	20	18	79	124	38.9	2:37	0:13	14:05	4	0	2	2	-2	0
42	David Backes	74	17	21	38	2	69	2	0	2	175	9.7	31	7	60	63	48.8	2:08	0:32	17:07	6	1	3	4	2	2
33	Zdeno Chara	75	10	19	29	18	59	1	2	0	136	7.4	24	3	0	1	0.0	0:27	3:46	23:19	6	0	1	1	-3	2
28	Dominic Moore	82	11	14	25	2	44	0	3	1	96	11.5	21	0	357	297	54.6	0:13	1:58	12:56	6	0	1	1	0	4
19	Drew Stafford	58	8	13	21	6	24	3	0	3	109	7.3	17	4	7	15	31.8	1:19	0:12	13:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Wpg	40	4	9	13	-2	12	2	0	1	68	5.9	10	3	3	9	25.0	1:24	0:16	13:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Bos	18	4	4	8	8	12	1	0	2	41	9.8	7	1	4	6	40.0	1:07	0:01	14:16	6	2	0	2	-2	2
72	Frank Vatrano	44	10	8	18	-3	14	4	0	1	116	8.6	13	5	2	5	28.6	1:45	0:03	13:28	6	1	0	1	-1	4
20	Riley Nash	81	7	10	17	-1	14	0	1	2	125	5.6	14	0	276	286	49.1	0:03	1:56	13:48	6	0	2	2	0	2
25	*Brandon Carlo	82	6	10	16	9	59	0	1	0	88	6.8	15	0	—	—	—	0:05	2:36	20:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	Tim Schaller	59	7	7	14	-6	23	0	0	2	89	7.9	14	0	28	29	49.1	0:26	1:07	12:16	6	1	0	1	2	2
6	Colin Miller	61	6	7	13	0	55	1	0	0	85	7.1	11	2	—	—	—	1:37	0:15	15:48	4	0	1	1	1	2
27	*Austin Czarnik	49	5	8	13	-10	12	0	0	1	66	7.6	10	3	57	76	42.9	1:45	1:07	13:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
86	Kevan Miller	58	3	10	13	1	50	0	0	1	49	6.1	12	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:00	17:47	6	0	0	0	0	4
54	Adam McQuaid	77	2	8	10	4	71	0	0	1	64	3.1	9	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:23	18:14	2	0	1	1	0	0
39	Matt Beleskey	49	3	5	8	-10	47	0	0	0	79	3.8	6	2	29	41	41.4	1:26	0:30	13:15	3	0	0	0	-2	4
55	*Noel Acciari	29	2	3	5	3	16	0	0	0	24	8.3	5	0	11	18	37.9	0:01	0:12	10:22	4	1	0	1	0	2
11	Jimmy Hayes	58	2	3	5	-3	29	0	0	1	74	2.7	5	0	14	41	25.5	0:18	0:00	9:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	John-Michael Liles	36	0	5	5	1	4	0	0	0	36	0.0	2	3	2	0	100.0	1:33	1:20	16:12	6	0	2	2	1	0
81	*Anton Blidh	19	1	1	2	-2	7	0	0	0	26	3.8	2	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:15	8:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	*Peter Cehlarik	11	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	8	0.0	1	1	2	1	66.7	1:23	0:00	13:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Tuukka Rask	65	0	2	2	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	0	0	0	—	0
52	*Sean Kuraly	8	0	1	1	-1	2	0	0	0	11	0.0	1	0	1	2	33.3	0:01	0:07	9:12	4	2	0	2	0	4
35	Anton Khudobin	16	0	1	1	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	Joe Morrow	17	0	1	1	-4	8	0	0	0	19	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:48	15:31	5	0	1	1	1	2
23	*J. Forsbacka Karlsson	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	1	1	50.0	0:00	0:00	8:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
70	*Malcolm Subban	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	*Matt Grzelcyk	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:40	0:00	12:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	*Rob O'Gara	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	2:11	16:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
43	*Danton Heinen	8	0	0	0	-3	2	0	0	0	7	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:46	0:05	13:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	*Zane McIntyre	8	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
73	*Charlie McAvoy	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	0	3	3	-2	2
56	*Tommy Cross	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	1	1	1	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
40	Tuukka Rask	65	3,680	2.23	37	20	5	8	8	137	1,610	.915	0	2	0	6	402	2.24	2	4	0	0	15	187	.920
35	Anton Khudobin	16	885	2.64	7	6	1	0	0	39	405	.904	0	1	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	*Zane Mcintyre	8	333	3.96	0	4	1	0	0	22	155	.858	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
70	*Malcolm Subban	1	31	5.81	0	1	0	0	0	3	16	.813	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . Nsh
2. Mon. Oct. 9. . . . . Col
3. Wed. Oct. 11 . . . . . at Col
4. Sat. Oct. 14. . . . . at Ari
5. Sun. Oct. 15 . . . . . at Veg
6. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . Van
7. Sat. Oct. 21. . . . . Buf
8. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . SJ
9. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . LA
10. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . at Clb
11. Thu. Nov. 2. . . . . Veg
12. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Wsh
13. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . Min
14. Wed. Nov. 8 . . . . . at NYR
15. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . at Tor
16. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . Tor
17. Wed. Nov. 15 . . . . at Ana
18. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . at LA
19. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . at SJ
20. Wed. Nov. 22. . . . . at NJ
21. Fri. Nov. 24. . . . . Pit
22. Sun. Nov. 26. . . . . Edm
23. Wed. Nov. 29. . . . . TB
24. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Phi
25. Mon. Dec. 4 . . . . . at Nsh
26. Thu. Dec. 7. . . . . Ari
27. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . NYI
28. Wed. Dec. 13 . . . . . at Det
29. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . Wsh
30. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . NYR
31. Mon. Dec. 18. . . . . Clb
32. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at Buf
33. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . Wpg
34. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . Det
35. Wed. Dec. 27. . . . . Ott
36. Thu. Dec. 28. . . . . at Wsh
37. Sat. Dec. 30 . . . . . at Ott
38. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . at NYI
39. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . Fla
40. Sat. Jan. 6. . . . . Car
41. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Pit
42. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . at Mtl
43. Mon. Jan. 15 . . . . . Dal
44. Wed. Jan. 17. . . . . Mtl
45. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . at NYI
46. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . at Mtl
47. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . NJ
48. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Ott
49. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . Ana
50. Thu. Feb. 1. . . . . StL
51. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . Tor
52. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . at Det
53. Wed. Feb. 7 . . . . . at NYR
54. Sat. Feb. 10. . . . . Buf
55. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . at NJ
56. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . Cgy
57. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . at Van
58. Mon. Feb. 19 . . . . . at Cgy
59. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . at Edm
60. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at Tor
61. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at Buf
62. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . Car
63. Thu. Mar. 1. . . . . Pit
64. Sat. Mar. 3. . . . . Mtl
65. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . Det
66. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . Phi
67. Sat. Mar. 10. . . . . Chi
68. Sun. Mar. 11 . . . . . at Chi
69. Tue. Mar. 13. . . . . at Car
70. Thu. Mar. 15. . . . . at Fla
71. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . at TB
72. Mon. Mar. 19 . . . . . Clb
73. Wed. Mar. 21. . . . . at StL
74. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . at Dal
75. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . at Min
76. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . at Wpg
77. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . TB
78. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . Fla
79. Sun. Apr. 1. . . . . at Phi
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . at TB
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . at Fla
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . Ott

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PREDICTION | **7TH** in Atlantic **STANLEY CUP ODDS** | **65/1**

Buffalo SABRES

BY JOHN VOGL

THIS TIME AROUND, the Sabres think they have it right. Buffalo's carousel of coaches and GMs has landed on Phil Housley and Jason Botterill. The Sabres hired Botterill to replace Tim Murray, making the longtime Pittsburgh executive their third GM in five years. They picked Housley to replace Dan Bylsma, making the Hall of Fame defenseman their fourth coach in five seasons. The newcomers will seek to implement owner Terry Pegula's four-point plan. He wants to improve the discipline, structure, communication and character of the organization. There's little doubt those elements were lacking.

Bylsma's message either didn't get through or was ignored by the players. The word "disconnect" was thrown around regularly. Players were late for meetings. Though everyone said they liked each other, there was little semblance of team play. Botterill didn't waste any time making trades and adding free agents. Housley called all the players soon after he was hired, establishing open lines of communication while laying out his expectations. Buffalo hopes it leads to ending a six-year playoff drought.

OFFENSE A high-ankle sprain sustained the day before the 2015-16 season opener limited No. 1 center Jack Eichel to 61 games, but he finished with an impressive 24 goals and 57 points, placing him 11th in points per game. If he stays healthy, Eichel is a dark horse to win the NHL scoring title. Ryan O'Reilly admittedly failed in the leadership category while putting up 55 points.

Botterill and Housley promised a fast-paced style of play. The Sabres are solid at right wing with Kyle Okposo, Sam Reinhart and the return of Jason Pominville. The big question is on the left side. Evander Kane is the headliner, but he's entering the final

NOT A DULL BOY
Hockey players are often reticent to make bold comments to the media, but 20-year-old Jack Eichel pulled no punches calling out his Sabres teammates after last season.

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RYAN O'REILLY

season of his contract. Buffalo could trade last year's leading goal-scorer. The Sabres hope they got a steal with left winger Benoit Pouliot. Signed on the cheap after being bought out by Edmonton, he'll get a chance to rebound.

DEFENSE Botterill prioritized fixing the blueline and made two trades to do that. Marco Scandella will get top-pair minutes after being stuck behind Minnesota's well-regarded workhorses. Nathan Beaulieu gets a fresh start after being a healthy scratch for Montreal during the playoffs. Buffalo also signed 24-year-old KHLer Victor Antipin. The trio should take pressure off Rasmus Ristolainen, who starts well but gets bogged down in an avalanche of minutes. Just 22 years old, he's entering his fifth pro season. He set career highs with 39 assists and 45 points in 79 games last year.

Housley built a winner with the 'D' in Nashville, and the Sabres expect him to rejuvenate Zach Bogosian and Jake McCabe. Bogosian hasn't performed since being acquired from the Jets in 2015.

GOALTENDING The Sabres allowed an NHL-worst 34.3 shots per game, but Robin Lehner (.920) and Anders Nilsson (.923) combined for the fifth-best save percentage. If Buffalo can keep the shot volume down, Lehner and reacquired crease mate Chad Johnson should add more victories. Lehner set a career high with 59 appearances and became a vocal leader in the dressing room. He needs to prove he can stop a breakaway after opponents scored on all eight shootout attempts last season.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
33-37-12 (78 pts)

OT/SO
6-6/2-6

DIVISION
8th

OVERALL
26th

OFFENSE
2.43 GPG (24th)

DEFENSE
2.82 GAA (20th)

POWER PLAY
24.5% (1st)

PENALTY KILL
77.6% (25th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
46.95% (27th)

1-GOAL GAMES
18-9-12 (.615)

2-GOAL GAMES
6-14 (.300)

3+ GOAL GAMES
9-14 (.391)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Ryan O'Reilly (21:27)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
R. Ristolainen (26:28)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jason Botterill

COACH
Phil Housley

ARENA
KeyBank Center

CAPACITY
19,070

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,592 (11th)

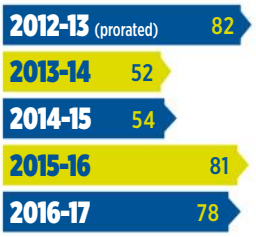
AHL AFFILIATE
Rochester Americans

ECHL AFFILIATE
Cincinnati Cyclones

PLAYOFF RECORD
0-0 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



SPECIAL TEAMS Buffalo had the league's best power play. There's a new coaching staff, but they shouldn't meddle with the effective unit led by Eichel, Okposo, O'Reilly and Ristolainen. The penalty kill ranked just 25th. Scandella and Pominville logged some PK ice time in Minnesota, so they should pitch in.

INTANGIBLES The dressing room was a mess. The Sabres need forceful leadership. Botterill and Housley will be looking for a new captain after the departure of Brian Gionta. Eichel and O'Reilly are the leading candidates. Buffalo needs an identity.

ROOKIES Right winger Nick Baptiste scored 25 goals in 59 AHL games last season, plus three more in 14 NHL games. He has the size and speed to make a difference in Housley's system, but he'll have to rise above the depth added by Botterill. Prized defenseman Brendan Guhle will start his pro career in the AHL.

X-FACTOR The Sabres went through a complete teardown to get Eichel. It's his team. A full season at the pace Eichel finished 2016-17 could propel Buffalo to the next level.

THE BRASS During Botterill's 10 seasons in Pittsburgh, including seven as assistant/associate GM, he earned praise as a salary cap guru. He helped the Penguins add pieces at the trade deadline despite their stars' big salaries. With Eichel expected to take up a lot of cap space with an extension, Botterill will put his experience to work.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Evander Kane
2 Benoit Pouliot
3 Matt Moulson
4 Nicolas Deslauriers
5 C.J. Smith

CENTER
1 Jack Eichel
2 Ryan O'Reilly
3 Johan Larsson
4 Zemgus Girgensons
5 Jacob Josefson

RIGHT WING
1 Kyle Okposo
2 Sam Reinhart
3 Jason Pominville
4 Justin Bailey
5 Nick Baptiste

DEFENSE
1 Rasmus Ristolainen
2 Marco Scandella
3 Zach Bogosian
4 Nathan Beaulieu
5 Jake McCabe
6 Victor Antipin
7 Josh Gorges
8 Justin Falk
9 Brendan Guhle
10 Taylor Fedun

GOALIE
1 Robin Lehner
2 Chad Johnson
3 Linus Ullmark

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Tyler Ennis, LW; Dmitry Kulikov, D; Marcus Foligno, LW; Anders Nilsson, G; Derek Grant, C

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ALEXANDER **NYLANDER**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. ALEXANDER NYLANDER, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Rochester (AHL)
Led Sweden with 12 points at WJC. Having challenges playing against pros in AHL.
ACQUIRED 8th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

2. CASEY MITTELSTADT, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Eden Prairie (U.S. high school)
Dynamic puckhandler excels in tight areas. Has committed to NCAA Minnesota.
ACQUIRED 8th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

3. RASMUS ASPLUND, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Farjestad (Swe.)
Found success playing with Nylander at 2016 WJC. Supreme playmaker hungry on the puck.
ACQUIRED 33rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. BRENDAN GUHLE, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Prince George (WHL)
Made his NHL debut in 2016-17 and averaged 16 minutes in three games with Sabres.
ACQUIRED 51st overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

5. HUDSON FASCHING, RW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Rochester (AHL)
Uses size to make up for lack of foot speed. Running out of time to make NHL impact.
ACQUIRED From LA, March 2014 **NHL** '17-18

6. CLIFF PU, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Took over leadership role with Knights. Jumped from 10th in team scoring a year ago to first.
ACQUIRED 69th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. MARCUS DAVIDSSON, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Djurgarden (Swe.)
Quick feet and good hockey sense, and uses both to his advantage at either end of rink.
ACQUIRED 37th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

8. UKKO-PEKKA LUUKKANEN, G
AGE 18 **TEAM** HPK (Fin.)
Tall and poised, he moves smoothly and fills the net well. Needs a half-decade to marinate.
ACQUIRED 54th overall, 2017 **NHL** '22-23

9. NICHOLAS BAPTISTE, RW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Rochester (AHL)
Speed and shot already at an NHL level, and his two-way game is almost there.
ACQUIRED 69th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

10. BRANDON HAGEL, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Red Deer (WHL)
Posted huge gain in offense in post-draft season. Is 100-point season next?
ACQUIRED 159th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

CASEY MITTELSTADT

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
8th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Eden Prairie

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jaden Schwartz

SCOUTING REPORT
He dominated the Minnesota high school ranks, and Mittelstadt also scorched in two USHL stints with Green Bay. The University of Minnesota commit has elite offensive skill and hockey sense.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jonas Johansson	9/19/95	Almtuna (Swe2)	37	17	18	0	2.26	.913
Gavle, Sweden		*6-4, 206*	*Draft: 61st overall ('14)*					
Chad Johnson	6/10/86	Calgary	36	18	15	1	2.59	.910
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-3, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Robin Lehner	7/24/91	Buffalo	59	23	26	8	2.68	.920
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-4, 239*	*Trade: Ott 6/26/15*					
U-P Luukkonen	3/9/99	HPK (Fin Jr.)	35	-	-	-	1.78	.917
Espoo, Finland		*6-4, 196*	*Draft: 54th overall ('17)*					
Linus Ullmark	7/31/93	Rochester (AHL)	55	26	27	2	2.87	.909
Lugnvik, Sweden		*6-4, 221*	*Draft: 163rd overall ('12)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Victor Antipin	12/6/92	Magnitogorsk (KHL)	59	6	18	24	8
Ust-Kamenogorsk, Kazakhstan		*5-11, 179*	*Free Agent: signed 5/2/17*				
Nathan Beaulieu	12/5/92	Montreal	74	4	24	28	44
Strathroy, Ont.		*6-2, 205*	*Trade: Mtl 6/17/17*				
Zach Bogosian	7/15/90	Buffalo	56	2	9	11	46
Massena, N.Y.		*6-3, 228*	*Trade: Wpg 2/11/15*				
Justin Falk	10/11/88	Buffalo	52	0	8	8	29
Snowflake, Man.		*6-5, 222*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Taylor Fedun	6/4/88	Buffalo	27	0	7	7	16
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Josh Gorges	8/14/84	Buffalo	66	1	5	6	50
Kelowna, B.C.		*6-1, 204*	*Trade: Mtl 7/1/14*				
Brendan Guhle	7/29/97	PA/PG (WHL)	47	15	18	33	32
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 186*	*Draft: 51st overall ('15)*				
Brycen Martin	5/9/96	Elmira (ECHL)	34	2	5	7	10
Calgary, Alta.		*6-2, 212*	*Draft: 74th overall ('14)*				
Jake McCabe	10/12/93	Buffalo	76	3	17	20	26
Eau Claire, Wis.		*6-1, 209*	*Draft: 44th overall ('12)*				
Casey Nelson	7/18/92	Rochester (AHL)	58	7	14	21	24
Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.		*6-1, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 3/22/16*				
Rasmus Ristolainen	10/27/94	Buffalo	79	6	39	45	58
Turku, Finland		*6-4, 203*	*Draft: 8th overall ('13)*				
Marco Scandella	2/23/90	Minnesota	71	4	9	13	25
Montreal, Que.		*6-3, 208*	*Trade: Min 6/30/17*				
Devante Stephens	1/2/97	Kelowna (WHL)	67	13	22	35	75
Surrey, B.C.		*6-1, 172*	*Draft: 122nd overall ('15)*				
Matt Tennyson	4/23/90	Carolina	45	0	6	6	6
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-2, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Rasmus Asplund	12/3/97	Farjestad (Swe)	39	6	13	19	10
Filipstad, Sweden		*5-11, 176*	*Draft: 33rd overall ('16)*				
Marcus Davidsson	11/18/98	Djurgarden (Swe)	45	5	4	9	6
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 37th overall ('17)*				
Jack Eichel	10/28/96	Buffalo	61	24	33	57	22
North Chelmsford, Mass.		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('15)*				
Zemgus Girgensons	1/5/94	Buffalo	75	7	9	16	18
Riga, Latvia		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 14th overall ('12)*				
Jacob Josefson	3/2/91	New Jersey	38	1	9	10	16
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Johan Larsson	7/25/92	Buffalo	36	6	5	11	20
Lau, Sweden		*5-11, 200*	*Trade: Min 4/3/13*				
Sean Malone	4/30/95	Harvard (ECAC)	36	18	24	42	16
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-0, 190*	*Draft: 159th overall ('13)*				
Casey Mittelstadt	11/22/98	Eden Prairie (High-MN)	25	21	43	64	8
Edina, Minn.		*6-1, 201*	*Draft: 8th overall ('17)*				
Ryan O'Reilly	2/7/91	Buffalo	72	20	35	55	10
Clinton, Ont.		*6-1, 210*	*Trade: Col 6/26/15*				
Kevin Porter	3/12/86	WB/Scranton (AHL)	69	11	35	46	50
Detroit, Mich.		*5-11, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Cliff Pu	6/3/98	London (OHL)	63	35	51	86	36
Richmond Hill, Ont.		*6-2, 192*	*Draft: 69th overall ('16)*				
Evan Rodrigues	7/28/93	Buffalo	30	4	2	6	4
Toronto, Ont.		*5-10, 183*	*Free Agent: signed 4/22/15*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Nicolas Deslauriers	2/22/91	Buffalo	42	0	2	2	38
LaSalle, Que.		*6-1, 216*	*Trade: LA 3/5/14*				
Brandon Hagel	8/27/98	Red Deer (WHL)	65	31	40	71	85
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-0, 160*	*Draft: 159th overall ('16)*				
Evander Kane	8/2/91	Buffalo	70	28	15	43	113
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-2, 211*	*Trade: Wpg 2/11/15*				
Matt Moulson	11/1/83	Buffalo	81	14	18	32	10
North York, Ont.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Alexander Nylander	3/2/98	Rochester (AHL)	65	10	18	28	6
Calgary, Alta.		*6-1, 180*	*Draft: 8th overall ('16)*				
Benoit Pouliot	9/29/86	Edmonton	67	8	6	14	34
Alfred, Ont.		*6-3, 204*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
C.J. Smith	12/1/94	UMass-Lowell (HE)	41	23	28	51	46
Des Moines, Iowa		*5-11, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Justin Bailey	7/1/95	Buffalo	32	2	2	4	4
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-3, 214*	*Draft: 52nd overall ('13)*				
Nicholas Baptiste	8/4/95	Rochester (AHL)	59	25	16	41	34
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-1, 206*	*Draft: 69th overall ('13)*				
Hudson Fasching	7/28/95	Rochester (AHL)	37	8	4	12	8
Milwaukee, Wis.		*6-2, 209*	*Trade: LA 3/5/14*				
Kyle Okposo	4/16/88	Buffalo	65	19	26	45	24
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-0, 218*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Jason Pominville	11/30/82	Minnesota	78	13	34	47	4
Repentigny, Que.		*6-0, 181*	*Trade: Min 6/30/17*				
Sam Reinhart	11/6/95	Buffalo	79	17	30	47	8
West Vancouver, B.C.		*6-1, 193*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('14)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	EXTENDED STATS ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
15	Jack Eichel	61	24	33	57	-13	22	10	0	4	249	9.6	33	24	310	486	38.9	2:58	0:14	19:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
90	Ryan O'Reilly	72	20	35	55	-1	10	8	1	3	189	10.6	29	24	1,039	752	58.0	2:53	2:19	21:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Sam Reinhart	79	17	30	47	-11	8	9	0	3	178	9.6	30	17	86	124	41.0	2:55	0:03	17:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Kyle Okposo	65	19	26	45	-7	24	7	0	2	156	12.2	22	23	54	45	54.5	3:12	0:07	18:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Rasmus Ristolainen	79	6	39	45	-9	58	1	0	2	186	3.2	19	25	—	—	—	3:11	2:59	26:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Evander Kane	70	28	15	43	-17	113	3	0	5	260	10.8	35	8	55	67	45.1	1:46	1:18	19:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Brian Gionta	82	15	20	35	-11	22	3	1	3	149	10.1	26	7	46	60	43.4	1:32	1:50	16:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Matt Moulson	81	14	18	32	-4	10	11	0	2	134	10.4	14	18	1	3	25.0	2:07	0:00	11:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
82	Marcus Foligno	80	13	10	23	-1	73	0	1	0	97	13.4	22	0	1	4	20.0	0:09	1:09	15:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Jake McCabe	76	3	17	20	-7	26	1	0	1	79	3.8	16	4	—	—	—	1:03	1:38	20:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Cody Franson	68	3	16	19	-5	34	1	0	0	93	3.2	17	2	—	—	—	1:27	0:50	18:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Zemgus Girgensons	75	7	9	16	-7	18	0	0	0	112	6.3	16	0	273	306	47.2	0:04	1:09	13:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
63	Tyler Ennis	51	5	8	13	-10	12	0	0	1	89	5.6	10	3	3	13	18.8	1:21	0:00	12:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Johan Larsson	36	6	5	11	-7	20	1	0	2	49	12.2	10	1	261	272	49.0	0:28	1:13	16:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Zach Bogosian	56	2	9	11	-17	46	0	0	1	73	2.7	10	1	—	—	—	0:07	1:44	20:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	*William Carrier	41	5	3	8	-1	21	0	0	1	50	10.0	8	0	1	1	50.0	0:00	0:03	9:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Justin Falk	52	0	8	8	-3	29	0	0	0	33	0.0	8	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:44	13:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	Taylor Fedun	27	0	7	7	3	16	0	0	0	24	0.0	4	3	—	—	—	1:12	0:00	13:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	*Evan Rodrigues	30	4	2	6	-7	4	1	0	0	51	7.8	5	1	104	146	41.6	0:11	1:04	12:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Josh Gorges	66	1	5	6	-3	50	0	0	0	40	2.5	6	0	0	1	0.0	0:01	2:40	18:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
77	Dmitry Kulikov	47	2	3	5	-26	26	1	0	0	42	4.8	2	3	—	—	—	0:52	1:36	21:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
73	*Nicholas Baptiste	14	3	1	4	1	6	0	0	0	16	18.8	4	0	1	2	33.3	0:34	0:01	9:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
56	*Justin Bailey	32	2	2	4	0	4	0	0	1	36	5.6	4	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:00	10:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Derek Grant	46	0	4	4	-5	24	0	0	0	40	0.0	4	0	201	183	52.3	0:25	2:11	9:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	6	0	1	1	-2	5	0	0	0	6	0.0	1	0	28	24	53.8	1:02	0:14	8:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
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44	Nicolas Deslauriers	42	0	2	2	-6	38	0	0	0	26	0.0	2	0	0	3	0.0	0:01	0:01	7:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
49	*C.J. Smith	2	0	1	1	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:18	0:00	11:32	—	—	—	—	—	—
70	*Alexander Nylander	4	0	1	1	-2	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	1	0	0	2	0.0	0:46	0:00	12:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Cole Schneider	4	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	6	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	7:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
52	*Hudson Fasching	10	0	1	1	-1	2	0	0	0	6	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:13	0:32	10:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Cal O'Reilly	11	0	1	1	-6	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	1	0	32	34	48.5	0:53	0:00	7:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Robin Lehner	59	0	1	1	—	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	*Linus Ullmark	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	*Sean Malone	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	5	3	62.5	0:50	0:00	12:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Erik Burgdoerfer	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	11:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	*Brendan Guhle	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:00	16:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
67	*Brady Austin	5	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	8	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:36	16:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	*Casey Nelson	11	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	10	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:14	0:03	12:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Anders Nilsson	26	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
31	Anders Nilsson	26	1,484	2.67	10	10	4	3	1	66	857	.923	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Robin Lehner	59	3,405	2.68	23	26	8	6	2	152	1,910	.920	0	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	*Linus Ullmark	1	59	3.05	0	1	0	1	0	3	36	.917	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . Mtl
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at NYI
3. Mon. Oct. 9. . . . . NJ
4. Thu. Oct. 12. . . . . at SJ
5. Sat. Oct. 14. . . . . at LA
6. Sun. Oct. 15 . . . . . at Ana
7. Tue. Oct. 17. . . . . at Veg
8. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . Van
9. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . at Bos
10. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . Det
11. Wed. Oct. 25 . . . . . at Clb
12. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . SJ
13. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . at Ari
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . at Dal
15. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . Wsh
16. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . Fla
17. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . at Mtl
18. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . at Pit
19. Fri. Nov. 17 . . . . . at Det
20. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . Car
21. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . . Clb
22. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . Min
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . Edm
24. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at Mtl
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . TB
26. Fri. Dec. 1. . . . . Pit
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Pit
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . at Col
29. Fri. Dec. 8 . . . . . at Chi
30. Sun. Dec. 10 . . . . . at StL
31. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . Ott
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . at Phi
33. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . Car
34. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . Bos
35. Fri. Dec. 22 . . . . . Phi
36. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at Car
37. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . at NYI
38. Fri. Dec. 29 . . . . . at NJ
39. Mon. Jan. 1 . . . . . NYR
40. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Min
41. Fri. Jan. 5 . . . . . at Wpg
42. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Phi
43. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . Wpg
44. Thu. Jan. 11 . . . . . Clb
45. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . at NYR
46. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . Dal
47. Mon. Jan. 22. . . . . at Cgy
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . at Edm
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Van
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . NJ
51. Thu. Feb. 1. . . . . Fla
52. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . StL
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . Ana
54. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . NYI
55. Sat. Feb. 10. . . . . at Bos
56. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . Col
57. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . TB
58. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Ott
59. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . LA
60. Mon. Feb. 19. . . . . Wsh
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at Det
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at Wsh
63. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . Bos
64. Wed. Feb. 28 . . . . . at TB
65. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . at Fla
66. Mon. Mar. 5. . . . . Tor
67. Wed. Mar. 7 . . . . . Cgy
68. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . at Ott
69. Sat. Mar. 10. . . . . Veg
70. Thu. Mar. 15. . . . . Tor
71. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . Chi
72. Mon. Mar. 19 . . . . . Nsh
73. Wed. Mar. 21. . . . . Ari
74. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . Mtl
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at NYR
76. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . at Tor
77. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . Det
78. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Nsh
79. Mon. Apr. 2. . . . . at Tor
80. Wed. Apr. 4 . . . . . Ott
81. Fri. Apr. 6 . . . . . at TB
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . at Fla

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Calgary FLAMES

BY RANDY SPORTAK

THE YOUTH INFUSION has been constant and effective over the past few years in Calgary. In turn, the Flames took the bold step of adding a couple of veterans at key spots in the hopes of becoming a legitimate Stanley Cup contender.

Having made the playoffs twice in the past three seasons on the backs of a strong defense corps and young talent up front, the Flames' biggest moves of the summer were to switch up the goaltending tandem – again – by acquiring Mike Smith from Arizona and then creating one of the league's best top-four blueline crews by paying a heavy price to land Travis Hamonic from the New York Islanders. If Smith and new backup goalie Eddie Lack can hold up their end of the deal, this team is a contender.

OFFENSE Johnny Gaudreau and Sean Monahan once again were the top two point producers last season, but both had down years. Whether it was adjusting to coach Glen Gulutzan, pressure from inking big-money contracts or any other reason, the club's young dynamic duo struggled. Expect a bounce-back campaign, especially if they can find a third part to the line, be it Micheal Ferland or Troy Brouwer, whose first season in Calgary was below par. More is expected from Brouwer as well as Sam Bennett, who suffered the proverbial sophomore slump.

From there, though, there was plenty of good news. Mikael Backlund is coming off a career year and centered one of the NHL's top lines with Michael Frolik and Matthew Tkachuk, and the blueline has four players who will provide scoring punch in Dougie Hamilton, Mark Giordano, T.J. Brodie and Hamonic.

DEFENSE The plan is for Hamonic to skate with Brodie, while Giordano and Hamilton remain a tandem. The Monahan line – which

LITTLE ENGINE
No player is more important to the offense than Johnny Gaudreau, who's looking to rejoin the league's leading scorers after finishing outside the top 40 in points last season.

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MARK GIORDANO

isn't the strongest at defending – will have two pairings to help keep the puck as far away from the Calgary net as possible. That isn't a concern with the Tkachuk-Backlund-Frolik line, which is the go-to trio for defensive-zone draws and had incredible possession numbers last season.

The third defense pairing, pegged to be Michael Stone and perhaps Matt Bartkowski or a youngster such as Brett Kulak or Rasmus Andersson, will likely be a 12- to 15-minute duo, but it's paramount they, as well as forwards such as Bennett and Brouwer, aren't on the negative side of the possession ledger.

GOALTENDING The Flames have a pair of high-end goaltending prospects in Jon Gillies and Tyler Parsons, but they don't want to rush either of them, especially because the rest of the squad is built to win now. That's why Calgary brought in Smith – who has two years remaining on his contract – and Lack, due to be a UFA after this season. Smith, a proven No. 1 goalie pegged to start around 60 games, should provide enough time for one of the prospects to develop fully.

SPECIAL TEAMS Through the first 15 games last season, the Flames had a dreadful power play and a tire fire of a penalty kill. Yet, when the season ended, they were 10th on the PP and 12th on the PK. With Monahan, Gaudreau and Hamilton entering their prime years, a step backward on the power play would be inexcusable. All the key components of last year's man-advantage success are returning. As for the penalty kill, Smith and Hamonic are expected to spur improvement.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
45-33-4 (94 pts)

OT/SO
9-2/4-2

DIVISION
4th (playoff wild card)

OVERALL
15th

OFFENSE
2.71 GPG (17th)

DEFENSE
2.67 GAA (14th)

POWER PLAY
20.2% (10th)

PENALTY KILL
81.6% (12th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.52% (15th)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-5-4 (.758)

2-GOAL GAMES
9-14 (.391)

3+ GOAL GAMES
16-14 (.533)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
J. Gaudreau (18:29)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Mark Giordano (23:34)

FAST FACTS

GM
Brad Treliving

COACH
Glen Gulutzan

ARENA
Scotiabank Saddledome

CAPACITY
19,289

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,727 (10th)

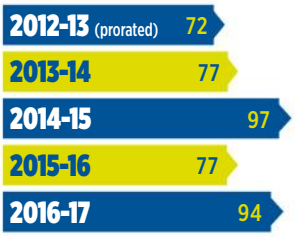
AHL AFFILIATE
Stockton Heat

ECHL AFFILIATE
Kansas City Mavericks

PLAYOFF RECORD
5-6 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES It took nearly one-quarter of the season for the Flames to see results of changes that Gulutzan made to the game plan, instilling a style that relied more on puck possession than the run-and-gun approach under previous coach Bob Hartley. Those early-season struggles didn't cost them a playoff spot, but it did increase the pressure to win over the final 60 games. That shouldn't be an issue this season.

ROOKIES There are a few roster spots available for rookies, both at forward and on defense, but there are no surefire players ready to grab them. Calgary made a splash signing college free agent Spencer Foo, but he's just one of a handful of players who will be in a dogfight for an NHL gig.

X-FACTOR The Flames should be a playoff team and Cup contender. If they're not, the undoing – barring injuries – will most likely be Smith faltering between the pipes or not enough offensive support for the top guns.

THE BRASS This is the fourth season in Calgary for GM Brad Treliving, and there's no doubt he's put his stamp on the team, not only by hiring Gulutzan prior to last season but building a squad around a strong blueline and creating depth up front. The ongoing quest, though, is to solidify the crease.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Johnny Gaudreau
2 Matthew Tkachuk
3 Kris Versteeg
4 Micheal Ferland
5 Hunter Shinkaruk

CENTER
1 Sean Monahan
2 Mikael Backlund
3 Sam Bennett
4 Matt Stajan
5 Mark Jankowski

RIGHT WING
1 Troy Brouwer
2 Michael Frolik
3 Curtis Lazar
4 Spencer Foo
5 Emile Poirier

DEFENSE
1 Mark Giordano
2 Dougie Hamilton
3 T.J. Brodie
4 Travis Hamonic
5 Michael Stone
6 Brett Kulak
7 Matt Bartkowski
8 Rasmus Andersson
9 Oliver Kylington
10 Tyler Wotherspoon

GOALIE
1 Mike Smith
2 Eddie Lack
3 Jon Gillies

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Brian Elliott, G; Chad Johnson, G; Deryk Engelland, D; Ladislav Smid, D; Lance Bouma, LW

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TYLER **PARSONS**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. TYLER PARSONS, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Went 5-0 with Team USA at world juniors. Draws comparisons to Jonathan Quick.
ACQUIRED 54th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

2. JUUSO VALIMAKI, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Tri-City (WHL)
A good puck-moving defenseman with poise, capable of quarterbacking the power play.
ACQUIRED 16th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. JON GILLIES, G
AGE 23 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Had up-and-down first full pro season. Needs more games to refine consistency.
ACQUIRED 75th overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

4. MARK JANKOWSKI, C
AGE 23 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Impressive rookie pro season aided by fuller frame and plenty of opportunity.
ACQUIRED 21st overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

5. OLIVER KYLINGTON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Smooth, dynamic skater getting better at limiting his high-risk plays with puck.
ACQUIRED 60th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

6. RASMUS ANDERSSON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Hardworking puck distributor is strong skater, but he needs work on his conditioning.
ACQUIRED 53rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

7. ADAM FOX, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Harvard (ECAC)
Standout NCAA freshman had solid showing at WJC. Ready for next level after sophomore year.
ACQUIRED 66th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

8. HUNTER SHINKARUK, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Can be difference-maker in AHL, but he needs composed consistency in the big leagues.
ACQUIRED From Van, Feb. 2016 **NHL** '17-18

9. BRETT KULAK, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Two-way defender had impressive possession stats. Penciled into starting role in October.
ACQUIRED 105th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

10. ANDREW MANGIAPANE, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Stockton (AHL)
Slight frame but assertive on the puck. Ready to show dominance at AHL level.
ACQUIRED 166th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

JUUSO VALIMAKI

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
16th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Tri-City

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mark Giordano

SCOUTING REPORT
A solid, two-way rearguard with decent size, Valimaki has improved on his skating and doubled his year-over-year production in the WHL. He comes equipped with a very high panic threshold.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jon Gillies	1/22/94	Stockton (AHL)	39	18	14	4	2.93	.910
Concord, N.H.		*6-6, 223*	*Draft: 75th overall ('12)*					
Eddie Lack	1/5/88	Carolina	20	8	7	3	2.64	.902
Norrtalje, Sweden		*6-4, 187*	*Trade: Car 6/29/17*					
Tyler Parsons	9/18/97	London (OHL)	34	23	6	5	2.37	.925
Mt. Clemas, Mich.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 54th overall ('16)*					
David Rittich	8/19/92	Stockton (AHL)	31	15	11	4	2.27	.924
Jihlava, Czech.		*6-3, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 6/11/16*					
Mike Smith	3/22/82	Arizona	55	19	26	9	2.92	.914
Kingston, Ont.		*6-4, 215*	*Trade: Ari 6/17/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Rasmus Andersson	10/27/96	Stockton (AHL)	54	3	19	22	38
Malmo, Sweden		*6-1, 214*	*Draft: 53rd overall ('15)*				
Matt Bartkowski	6/4/88	Providence (AHL)	34	2	8	10	27
Pittsburgh, Pa.		*6-1, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 2/16/17*				
T.J. Brodie	6/7/90	Calgary	82	6	30	36	24
Chatham, Ont.		*6-1, 182*	*Draft: 114th overall ('08)*				
Adam Fox	2/17/98	Harvard (ECAC)	35	6	34	40	6
Jericho, N.Y.		*5-11, 181*	*Draft: 66th overall ('16)*				
Mark Giordano	10/3/83	Calgary	81	12	27	39	59
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 7/6/04*				
Dougie Hamilton	6/17/93	Calgary	81	13	37	50	64
Toronto, Ont.		*6-6, 210*	*Trade: Bos 6/26/15*				
Travis Hamonic	8/16/90	NY Islanders	49	3	11	14	60
St. Malo, Man.		*6-2, 205*	*Trade: NYI 6/24/17*				
Josh Healey	7/12/94	Ohio State (Big10)	35	4	21	25	70
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 3/25/17*				
Brett Kulak	1/6/94	Stockton (AHL)	22	2	8	10	14
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-2, 187*	*Draft: 105th overall ('12)*				
Oliver Kylington	5/19/97	Stockton (AHL)	60	6	21	27	22
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 183*	*Draft: 60th overall ('15)*				
Michael Stone	6/7/90	Ari/Cgy	64	3	12	15	32
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-3, 210*	*Trade: Ari 2/20/17*				
Juuso Valimaki	10/6/98	Tri-City (WHL)	60	19	42	61	34
Tampere, Finland		*6-2, 204*	*Draft: 16th overall ('17)*				
Tyler Wotherspoon	3/12/93	Stockton (AHL)	56	6	12	18	24
Burnaby, B.C.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 57th overall ('11)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mikael Backlund	3/17/89	Calgary	81	22	31	53	36
Vasteras, Sweden		*6-1, 199*	*Draft: 24th overall ('07)*				
Sam Bennett	6/20/96	Calgary	81	13	13	26	75
Holland Landing, Ont.		*6-1, 186*	*Draft: 4th overall ('14)*				
Dillon Dube	7/20/98	Kelowna (WHL)	40	20	35	55	40
Golden, Alta.		*5-11, 183*	*Draft: 56th overall ('16)*				
Freddie Hamilton	1/1/92	Calgary	26	2	0	2	8
Toronto, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Trade: Col 10/4/15*				
Mark Jankowski	9/13/94	Stockton (AHL)	64	27	29	56	29
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-3, 185*	*Draft: 21st overall ('12)*				
Sean Monahan	10/12/94	Calgary	82	27	31	58	20
Brampton, Ont.		*6-3, 195*	*Draft: 6th overall ('13)*				
Daniel Pribyl	12/18/92	Stockton (AHL)	33	5	10	15	4
Pisek, Czech.		*6-3, 207*	*Free Agent: signed 4/29/16*				
Matt Stajan	12/19/83	Calgary	81	6	17	23	40
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Trade: Tor 1/31/10*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Micheal Ferland	4/20/92	Calgary	76	15	10	25	50
Swan River, Man.		*6-2, 208*	*Draft: 133rd overall ('10)*				
Johnny Gaudreau	8/13/93	Calgary	72	18	43	61	4
Salem, N.J.		*5-9, 157*	*Draft: 104th overall ('11)*				
Luke Gazdic	7/25/89	Albany (AHL)	37	1	6	7	63
Toronto, Ont.		*6-4, 225*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/17*				
Marek Hrivik	8/28/91	Hartford (AHL)	56	16	24	40	12
Cadca, Slovakia		*6-2, 197*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Morgan Klimchuk	3/2/95	Stockton (AHL)	66	19	24	43	36
Regina, Sask.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 28th overall ('13)*				
Ryan Lomberg	12/9/94	Stockton (AHL)	68	13	16	29	127
Richmond Hill, Ont.		*5-10, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 3/19/17*				
Andrew Mangiapane	4/4/96	Stockton (AHL)	66	20	21	41	64
Toronto, Ont.		*5-10, 184*	*Draft: 166th overall ('15)*				
Hunter Shinkaruk	10/13/94	Stockton (AHL)	52	15	20	35	20
Calgary, Alta.		*5-10, 181*	*Trade: Van 2/22/16*				
Matthew Tkachuk	12/11/97	Calgary	76	13	35	48	105
Scottsdale, Ariz.		*6-2, 202*	*Draft: 6th overall ('16)*				
Kris Versteeg	5/13/86	Calgary	69	15	22	37	46
Lethbridge, Alta.		*5-11, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 10/11/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Troy Brouwer	8/17/85	Calgary	74	13	12	25	31
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-3, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Austin Carroll	3/26/94	Stockton (AHL)	46	7	8	15	40
Phoenix, Ariz.		*6-3, 212*	*Draft: 184th overall ('14)*				
Spencer Foo	5/19/94	Union (ECAC)	38	26	36	62	24
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Michael Frolik	2/17/88	Calgary	82	17	27	44	58
Kladno, Czech.		*6-1, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Garnet Hathaway	11/23/91	Calgary	26	1	4	5	44
Kennebunkport, Maine		*6-2, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 4/13/15*				
Curtis Lazar	2/2/95	Ott/Cgy	37	1	3	4	4
Salmon Arm, B.C.		*6-0, 209*	*Trade: Ott 3/1/17*				
Emile Poirier	12/14/94	Stockton (AHL)	43	6	11	17	64
Montreal, Que.		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('13)*				
Hunter Smith	9/11/95	Stockton (AHL)	34	3	8	11	34
Windsor, Ont.		*6-7, 231*	*Draft: 54th overall ('14)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON — **EXTENDED STATS** — **TIME ON ICE** — **2017 PLAYOFFS**

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
13	Johnny Gaudreau	72	18	43	61	-7	4	4	0	3	182	9.9	45	16	—	—	—	3:12	0:01	18:29	4	0	2	2	-4	0
23	Sean Monahan	82	27	31	58	-1	20	8	1	4	199	13.6	40	17	743	701	51.5	3:01	0:29	17:34	4	4	1	5	-4	0
11	Mikael Backlund	81	22	31	53	9	36	7	0	7	197	11.2	34	16	711	768	48.1	2:02	2:14	17:36	4	1	2	3	-3	0
27	Dougie Hamilton	81	13	37	50	12	64	2	0	5	222	5.9	35	14	—	—	—	2:15	0:53	19:41	4	0	1	1	-3	8
19	*Matthew Tkachuk	76	13	35	48	14	105	3	0	2	142	9.2	35	13	8	15	34.8	2:01	0:01	14:39	4	0	0	0	-2	4
67	Michael Frolik	82	17	27	44	13	58	3	2	1	202	8.4	33	8	13	16	44.8	1:11	2:02	17:04	4	0	1	1	-2	0
5	Mark Giordano	81	12	27	39	22	59	3	2	4	151	7.9	22	14	—	—	—	2:35	3:14	23:34	4	0	1	1	-2	2
10	Kris Versteeg	69	15	22	37	-3	46	8	0	1	136	11.0	21	16	53	49	52.0	2:32	0:01	14:43	4	1	3	4	-2	4
7	T.J. Brodie	82	6	30	36	-16	24	1	1	2	78	7.7	22	12	—	—	—	2:46	2:20	23:34	4	0	4	4	-1	2
93	Sam Bennett	81	13	13	26	-16	75	4	0	0	122	10.7	21	4	374	437	46.1	1:14	1:07	14:59	4	2	0	2	-1	4
79	Micheal Ferland	76	15	10	25	-1	50	2	0	1	106	14.2	21	4	3	4	42.9	0:27	0:02	11:33	4	0	0	0	-4	7
36	Troy Brouwer	74	13	12	25	-11	31	5	1	2	86	15.1	12	11	20	44	31.3	2:24	1:33	16:13	4	0	2	2	-1	0
39	Alex Chiasson	81	12	12	24	-6	46	0	1	1	104	11.5	21	2	7	22	24.1	0:38	0:55	13:23	4	0	0	0	-1	2
18	Matt Stajan	81	6	17	23	3	40	0	0	3	59	10.2	21	0	385	383	50.1	0:04	1:47	12:40	3	0	0	0	-1	0
6	Dennis Wideman	57	5	13	18	-6	32	2	0	1	87	5.7	13	5	—	—	—	1:02	2:09	20:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Deryk Engelland	81	4	12	16	2	85	0	0	2	107	3.7	16	0	1	0	100.0	0:01	3:13	18:19	4	0	0	0	-3	2
26	Michael Stone	64	3	12	15	0	32	1	0	0	81	3.7	10	5	1	0	100.0	1:17	1:49	19:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	45	1	8	9	-5	12	1	0	0	57	1.8	4	5	1	0	100.0	1:41	2:04	20:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Cgy	19	2	4	6	5	20	0	0	0	24	8.3	6	0	—	—	—	0:20	1:13	18:51	4	1	0	1	-1	0
17	Lance Bouma	61	3	4	7	-2	35	0	0	1	53	5.7	7	0	4	8	33.3	0:02	1:35	11:20	3	0	0	0	-1	2
64	*Garnet Hathaway	26	1	4	5	0	44	0	0	0	22	4.5	5	0	10	9	52.6	0:02	0:04	9:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Curtis Lazar	37	1	3	4	-8	4	0	0	0	26	3.8	4	0	39	60	39.4	0:06	0:17	9:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	33	0	1	1	-10	4	0	0	0	24	0.0	1	0	28	47	37.3	0:05	0:17	8:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Cgy	4	1	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	50.0	3	0	11	13	45.8	0:15	0:16	11:46	1	0	0	0	0	0
61	*Brett Kulak	21	0	3	3	-3	12	0	0	0	19	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:17	0:06	14:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Freddie Hamilton	26	2	0	2	-3	8	0	0	1	30	6.7	2	0	75	51	59.5	0:00	0:20	9:46	1	0	0	0	0	0
44	Matt Bartkowski	24	1	1	2	-4	26	0	0	0	16	6.3	2	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:26	15:23	4	0	0	0	-5	0
49	*Hunter Shinkaruk	7	0	1	1	-3	2	0	0	0	5	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:03	0:00	10:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	*David Rittich	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	*Jon Gillies	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
77	*Mark Jankowski	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	5	3	62.5	0:00	0:00	10:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
54	*Rasmus Andersson	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:52	0:01	18:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Nicklas Grossmann	3	0	0	0	-4	2	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:05	13:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Linden Vey	4	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	9	15	37.5	1:51	0:00	11:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Tyler Wotherspoon	4	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Chad Johnson	36	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	0	0	—	0
1	Brian Elliott	49	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON — **2017 PLAYOFFS**

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
32	*Jon Gillies	1	60	1.00	1	0	0	0	0	1	28	.964	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Brian Elliott	49	2,844	2.55	26	18	3	7	2	121	1,338	.910	0	0	4	4	185	3.89	0	3	0	0	12	100	.880
31	Chad Johnson	36	2,013	2.59	18	15	1	2	3	87	969	.910	0	0	0	1	52	1.15	0	1	1	0	1	21	.952
33	*David Rittich	1	20	3.00	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	.900	0	0	0										

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 . . . . .at Edm
2. Sat. Oct. 7. . . . . .Wpg
3. Mon. Oct. 9. . . . . at Ana
4. Wed. Oct. 11 . . . . . at LA
5. Fri. Oct. 13. . . . . Ott
6. Sat. Oct. 14. . . . . at Van
7. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . Car
8. Sat. Oct. 21. . . . . Min
9. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Nsh
10. Wed. Oct. 25 . . . . .at StL
11. Fri. Oct. 27 . . . . . Dal
12. Sun. Oct. 29 . . . . . Wsh
13. Thu. Nov. 2. . . . . .Pit
14. Sun. Nov. 5. . . . . .NJ
15. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . .Van
16. Thu. Nov. 9. . . . . Det
17. Mon. Nov. 13. . . . . StL
18. Wed. Nov. 15 . . . . .at Det
19. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . at Phi
20. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . .at Wsh
21. Wed. Nov. 22. . . . .at Clb
22. Fri. Nov. 24. . . . . .at Dal
23. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at Col
24. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . .Tor
25. Thu. Nov. 30. . . . . .Ari
26. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . Edm
27. Mon. Dec. 4 . . . . . .Phi
28. Wed. Dec. 6 . . . . . at Tor
29. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . at Mtl
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . .Van
31. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . .at Min
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . SJ
33. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . .Nsh
34. Sun. Dec. 17 . . . . . at Van
35. Wed. Dec. 20. . . . . StL
36. Fri. Dec. 22. . . . . .Mtl
37. Thu. Dec. 28. . . . . .at SJ
38. Fri. Dec. 29. . . . . at Ana
39. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . Chi
40. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . .LA
41. Sat. Jan. 6. . . . . .Ana
42. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . .at Min
43. Thu. Jan. 11 . . . . . at TB
44. Fri. Jan. 12. . . . . at Fla
45. Sun. Jan. 14 . . . . . .at Car
46. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . .Wpg
47. Mon. Jan. 22. . . . . Buf
48. Wed. Jan. 24 . . . . . .LA
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . .at Edm
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . .Veg
51. Thu. Feb. 1. . . . . .TB
52. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . Chi
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . .at Chi
54. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . .at NJ
55. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . .at NYR
56. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . .at NYI
57. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . .at Bos
58. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Nsh
59. Sat. Feb. 17. . . . . .Fla
60. Mon. Feb. 19. . . . . .Bos
61. Wed. Feb. 21 . . . . at Veg
62. Thu. Feb. 22. . . . . at Ari
63. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Col
64. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . .at Dal
65. Wed. Feb. 28. . . . . .at Col
66. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . NYR
67. Mon. Mar. 5. . . . . .at Pit
68. Wed. Mar. 7 . . . . . .at Buf
69. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . .at Ott
70. Sun. Mar. 11 . . . . . NYI
71. Tue. Mar. 13. . . . . Edm
72. Fri. Mar. 16. . . . . SJ
73. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . at Veg
74. Mon. Mar. 19 . . . . . at Ari
75. Wed. Mar. 21. . . . . .Ana
76. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . .at SJ
77. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . at LA
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . Clb
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . .Edm
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . .Ari
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . at Wpg
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . .Veg

MATTHEW **TKACHUK**

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Carolina HURRICANES

BY LUKE DECOCK

AFTER ADDRESSING A few key problem areas without losing anyone of note off the roster, the Hurricanes will be dramatically improved this season. Whether that's enough to end the NHL's longest playoff drought is less certain.

The addition of Scott Darling in net and the return of Justin Williams on the wing should propel GM Ron Francis' rebuilding process as it enters its fourth season. With a talented young blueline already assembled, Carolina still has to show significant improvement in other areas to compete in the difficult Metropolitan Division. The Hurricanes haven't qualified for the post-season since 2009, and while the roster has gotten younger and faster, they haven't risen much in the standings. Still, if Darling can offer a significant upgrade in goal, there's no reason this can't be the year the drought ends.

OFFENSE Jeff Skinner has emerged from a few concussion-hampered seasons to become an offensive force. With Skinner and Sebastian Aho, who clicked for 24 goals as a 19-year-old rookie, the Hurricanes have two bona fide scoring threats on the wing. The weakness is down the middle, where Francis hoped to add a top-six center to supplement Jordan Staal and Victor Rask. They ended up with Marcus Kruger, who adds depth but won't provide much in the way of offense.

While Aho has plenty of upside and room to grow, the Hurricanes also need improvement from Rask, Teuvo Teravainen and Elias Lindholm, all of whom have the potential to be impact players but need to contribute on a consistent basis. Williams will unquestionably have a positive influence on the team, but the Hurricanes need him to put up points as well. He turns 36 in October after tallying 24 goals and 48 points with Washington last season.

SEBASTIAN AHO

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
36-31-15 (87 pts)

OT/SO
5-9/3-6

DIVISION
7th

OVERALL
21st

OFFENSE
2.59 GPG (20th)

DEFENSE
2.80 GAA (18th)

POWER PLAY
17.7% (21st)

PENALTY KILL
84.2% (6th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
51.20% (7th)

1-GOAL GAMES
18-10-15 (.593)

2-GOAL GAMES
10-10 (.500)

3+ GOAL GAMES
8-11 (.421)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Jordan Staal (18:39)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Jaccob Slavin (23:26)

FAST FACTS

GM
Ron Francis

COACH
Bill Peters

ARENA
PNC Arena

CAPACITY
18,680

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
11,776 (30th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Charlotte Checkers

ECHL AFFILIATE
Florida Everblades

PLAYOFF RECORD
0-0 (since 2013)

DEFENSE While the offense-minded Justin Faulk and Noah Hanifin get most of the attention, Jaccob Slavin and Brett Pesce have quietly become one of the NHL's most underrated pairings. (Slavin was re-signed to a seven-year, $37.1-million contract in July after earning a couple of down-ballot Norris Trophy votes, so the secret is getting out.) Those four players give the Canes a young – Faulk, at 25, is the grizzled veteran – and versatile core defensive group that fits all the modern puck-moving requirements and still has immense potential for growth.

Newcomer Trevor van Riemsdyk, who was acquired from Vegas in exchange for a second-round draft pick, stabilizes the third pairing. The Hurricanes hope another young defenseman – possibly Haydn Fleury, the seventh overall pick in the 2014 draft – can win a job alongside van Riemsdyk in training camp. If not, Klas Dahlbeck returns to provide depth.

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VINCENT ETHIER/ICON SPORTSWIRE VIA GETTY IMAGES

TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	72
2013-14	83
2014-15	71
2015-16	86
2016-17	87

GOALTENDING After a decade with Cam Ward as the No. 1 netminder and only one playoff appearance sine 2006 – Ward and Eddie Lack combined to finish 27th in the NHL in save percentage last season – it was time for a change. It's a new era with Darling taking over in net. He had terrific numbers as a backup in Chicago and now gets his chance to shine as a starter. At 33, Ward has the maturity to assume a secondary role.

SPECIAL TEAMS Even with erratic goaltending at times, the Canes were one of the NHL's best penalty-killing teams and finished second in the league with 10 shorthanded goals. Gone are PK fixtures Viktor Stalberg, Jay McClement and Ron Hainsey, but Kruger is expected to take on an important role. Given the skill at forward and triggermen like Faulk and Hanifin, the power play should've converted at a better rate – it ranked 21st overall – and it's fair to expect improvement.

EDGE EXPERT
Jeff Skinner, back on track after concussion issues, makes masterful use of his superb skating ability to lead the way offensively for the goal-starved Hurricanes.

INTANGIBLES Williams, a key member of the 2006 Stanley Cup-champion Hurricanes, will be a positive influence in a young dressing room. Carolina also continued to pluck experienced winners off the Blackhawks' roster, adding former Cup champs in Darling, Kruger and van Riemsdyk.

ROOKIES There doesn't appear to be any openings up front, but there's a competition on the third 'D' pairing. Fleury is at the top of the list, but Roland McKeown, Trevor Carrick, Jake Chelios and Jake Bean all have a shot.

X-FACTOR This is a team built for the long term – only Ward and forwards Derek Ryan and Lee Stempniak are scheduled to become UFAs next summer.

THE BRASS Francis has been painstakingly patient as GM, and this could be the season that pays dividends. He and his managment team have drafted well and put the Canes in a position to become a contender in the years to come. Bill Peters enters his fourth season behind the bench, earning plaudits for his efficient style of play.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Jeff Skinner
2 Sebastian Aho
3 Joakim Nordstrom
4 Brock McGinn
5 Lucas Wallmark

CENTER
1 Jordan Staal
2 Victor Rask
3 Derek Ryan
4 Marcus Kruger
5 Josh Jooris

RIGHT WING
1 Justin Williams
2 Teuvo Teravainen
3 Elias Lindholm
4 Lee Stempniak
5 Valentin Zykov

DEFENSE
1 Justin Faulk
2 Jaccob Slavin
3 Brett Pesce
4 Noah Hanifin
5 Trevor van Riemsdyk
6 Klas Dahlbeck
7 Haydn Fleury
8 Trevor Carrick
9 Roland McKeown
10 Philip Samuelsson

GOALIE
1 Scott Darling
2 Cam Ward
3 Jeremy Smith

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Eddie Lack, G; Ryan Murphy, D; Matt Tennyson, D

JULIEN **GAUTHIER**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. JULIEN GAUTHIER, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Saint John (QMJHL)
Good strength, speed and conditioning, but his goal-scoring dried up last season.
ACQUIRED 21st overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

2. MARTIN NECAS, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Brno (Cze.)
A fast player who has hot and cold spells. Already has strong defensive awareness.
ACQUIRED 12th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. JAKE BEAN, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Calgary (WHL)
An offensive juggernaut in the WHL, his hockey sense keeps him one step ahead.
ACQUIRED 13th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. NICOLAS ROY, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Chicoutimi (QMJHL)
Rapid development for fourth-rounder, he projects to be an offensive dynamo.
ACQUIRED 96th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

5. JANNE KUOKKANEN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Capable of playing all forward positions, he needs to mature and develop physically.
ACQUIRED 43rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

6. HAYDN FLEURY, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Charlotte (AHL)
Plays a solid, two-way game. He'll dazzle with smart plays more than offensive acumen.
ACQUIRED 7th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

7. ALEKSI SAARELA, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Lukko (Fin.)
Speedster had terrific finishing nine-game stint in AHL after coming over from Finland.
ACQUIRED From NYR, Feb. 2016 **NHL** '18-19

8. ALEX NEDELJKOVIC, G
AGE 21 **TEAM** Florida (ECHL)
Undersized rookie pro looked overmatched in AHL, but had solid playoff run in ECHL.
ACQUIRED 37th overall, 2014 **NHL** '20-21

9. ROLAND MCKEOWN, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Charlotte (AHL)
Offensive production didn't translate to AHL for solid two-way depth defender.
ACQUIRED From LA, Feb. 2015 **NHL** '19-20

10. WARREN FOEGELE, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
Rangy winger had breakout offensive season as OHL overager. Nice touch around net.
ACQUIRED 67th overall, 2014 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

MARTIN NECAS

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
12th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Kometa Brno

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Claude Giroux

SCOUTING REPORT
A fast and dangerous player with high-end touch, Necas already has a world juniors and a year playing against men under his belt. Fun fact: his last name means "bad weather" in Czech.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Callum Booth	5/21/97	Que/SNB (QMJHL)	47	31	12	3	2.59	.911
Montreal, Que.		*6-4, 191*	*Draft: 93rd overall ('15)*					
Scott Darling	12/22/88	Chicago	32	18	5	5	2.38	.924
Newport News, Va.		*6-6, 232*	*Trade: Chi 4/28/17*					
Alex Nedeljkovic	1/7/96	Charlotte (AHL)	25	8	14	1	3.40	.881
Parma, Ohio		*6-0, 198*	*Draft: 37th overall ('14)*					
Jeremy Smith	4/13/89	San Antonio (AHL)	17	5	8	1	2.57	.911
Dearborn, Mich.		*6-0, 177*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Cam Ward	2/29/84	Carolina	61	26	22	12	2.69	.905
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 25th overall ('02)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jake Bean	6/9/98	Calgary (WHL)	43	8	37	45	14
Calgary, Alta.		*6-1, 173*	*Draft: 13th overall ('16)*				
Trevor Carrick	7/4/94	Charlotte (AHL)	57	4	12	16	45
Stouffville, Ont.		*6-2, 186*	*Draft: 115th overall ('12)*				
Jake Chelios	3/8/91	Charlotte (AHL)	76	4	28	32	54
Bloomfield Hills, Mich.		*6-2, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 4/22/16*				
Klas Dahlbeck	7/6/91	Carolina	43	2	4	6	30
Katrineholm, Sweden		*6-3, 207*	*Waivers: Ari 10/11/16*				
Justin Faulk	3/20/92	Carolina	75	17	20	37	32
South St. Paul, Minn.		*6-0, 215*	*Draft: 37th overall ('10)*				
Haydn Fleury	7/8/96	Charlotte (AHL)	69	7	19	26	8
Carlyle, Sask.		*6-3, 221*	*Draft: 7th overall ('14)*				
Noah Hanifin	1/25/97	Carolina	81	4	25	29	26
Boston, Mass.		*6-3, 206*	*Draft: 5th overall ('15)*				
Brenden Kichton	6/18/92	Manitoba (AHL)	63	1	22	23	52
Spruce Grove, Alta.		*5-10, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Roland McKeown	1/20/96	Charlotte (AHL)	71	1	10	11	16
Listowel, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Trade: LA 2/25/15*				
Brett Pesce	11/15/94	Carolina	82	2	18	20	20
Tarrytown, N.Y.		*6-3, 200*	*Draft: 66th overall ('13)*				
Dennis Robertson	5/24/91	Charlotte (AHL)	65	6	10	16	52
Fort St. John, B.C.		*6-1, 215*	*Trade: Chi 2/29/16*				
Philip Samuelsson	7/26/91	SNF/Cha (AHL)	65	4	15	19	35
Leksand, Sweden		*6-2, 194*	*Trade: Mtl 2/21/17*				
Jaccob Slavin	5/1/94	Carolina	82	5	29	34	12
Denver, Colo.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 120th overall ('12)*				
Trevor van Riemsdyk	7/24/91	Chicago	58	5	11	16	29
Middletown, N.J.		*6-2, 188*	*Trade: VGK 6/22/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Josh Jooris	7/14/90	NYR/Ari	54	4	8	12	16
Burlington, Ont.		*6-1, 197*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Marcus Kruger	5/27/90	Chicago	70	5	12	17	34
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 186*	*Trade: VGK 7/4/17*				
Janne Kuokkanen	5/25/98	London (OHL)	60	26	36	62	14
Oulunsalo, Finland		*6-1, 188*	*Draft: 43rd overall ('16)*				
Martin Necas	1/15/99	Brno (Cze)	41	7	8	15	6
Nove Mesto na Morave, Czech.		*6-1, 167*	*Draft: 12th overall ('17)*				
Andrew Poturalski	1/14/94	Charlotte (AHL)	74	19	33	52	34
Williamsville, N.Y.		*5-10, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 3/8/16*				
Victor Rask	3/1/93	Carolina	82	16	29	45	16
Leksand, Sweden		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 42nd overall ('11)*				
Nicolas Roy	2/5/97	Chicoutimi (QMJHL)	53	36	44	80	46
Amos, Que.		*6-4, 208*	*Draft: 96th overall ('15)*				
Derek Ryan	12/29/86	Carolina	67	11	18	29	22
Spokane, Wash.		*5-11, 170*	*Free Agent: signed 6/15/15*				
Aleksi Saarela	1/7/97	Lukko (Fin)	49	15	13	28	10
Helsinki, Finland		*5-11, 198*	*Trade: NYR 2/28/16*				
Jordan Staal	9/10/88	Carolina	75	16	29	45	38
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 220*	*Trade: Pit 6/22/12*				
Lucas Wallmark	9/5/95	Charlotte (AHL)	67	24	22	46	28
Umea, Sweden		*6-0, 176*	*Draft: 97th overall ('14)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sebastian Aho	7/26/97	Carolina	82	24	25	49	26
Rauma, Finland		*5-11, 172*	*Draft: 35th overall ('15)*				
Phillip Di Giuseppe	10/9/93	Carolina	36	1	6	7	15
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 200*	*Draft: 38th overall ('12)*				
Warren Foegele	4/1/96	Kgn/Erie (OHL)	61	27	36	63	40
Markham, Ont.		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 67th overall ('14)*				
Brock McGinn	2/2/94	Carolina	57	7	9	16	6
Fergus, Ont.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 47th overall ('12)*				
Joakim Nordstrom	2/25/92	Carolina	82	7	5	12	17
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 189*	*Trade: Chi 9/11/15*				
Jeff Skinner	5/16/92	Carolina	79	37	26	63	28
Toronto, Ont.		*5-11, 200*	*Draft: 7th overall ('10)*				
Teuvo Teravainen	9/11/94	Carolina	81	15	27	42	16
Helsinki, Finland		*5-11, 178*	*Trade: Chi 6/15/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Patrick Brown	5/29/92	Charlotte (AHL)	66	12	16	28	45
Bloomfield Hills, Mich.		*6-1, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 4/12/14*				
Julien Gauthier	10/15/97	VdO/SNB (QMJHL)	43	17	34	51	40
Pointe-aux-Trembles, Que.		*6-4, 225*	*Draft: 21st overall ('16)*				
Elias Lindholm	12/2/94	Carolina	72	11	34	45	16
Boden, Sweden		*6-1, 192*	*Draft: 5th overall ('13)*				
Lee Stempniak	2/4/83	Carolina	82	16	24	40	32
West Seneca, N.Y.		*5-11, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Sergey Tolchinsky	2/3/95	Charlotte (AHL)	59	7	16	23	41
Moscow, Russia		*5-8, 170*	*Free Agent: signed 8/22/13*				
Justin Williams	10/4/81	Washington	80	24	24	48	50
Cobourg, Ont.		*6-1, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Valentin Zykov	5/15/95	Charlotte (AHL)	66	16	18	34	57
St. Petersburg, Russia		*6-1, 224*	*Trade: LA 2/28/16*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
		EXTENDED STATS																TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
53	Jeff Skinner	79	37	26	63	-3	28	7	0	4	281	13.2	48	15	10	17	37.0	2:16	0:00	17:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	*Sebastian Aho	82	24	25	49	-1	26	6	1	4	214	11.2	30	17	17	18	48.6	2:13	0:13	16:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Jordan Staal	75	16	29	45	-1	38	4	1	3	164	9.8	36	8	689	477	59.1	2:15	1:34	18:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
49	Victor Rask	82	16	29	45	-10	16	4	0	3	186	8.6	34	10	457	461	49.8	2:07	0:22	17:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Elias Lindholm	72	11	34	45	-2	16	2	1	0	151	7.3	29	11	353	282	55.6	2:12	1:14	18:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
86	Teuvo Teravainen	81	15	27	42	-6	16	5	0	2	169	8.9	27	15	193	220	46.7	2:14	0:00	16:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Lee Stempniak	82	16	24	40	2	32	2	0	2	131	12.2	34	6	3	5	37.5	1:57	0:00	15:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Justin Faulk	75	17	20	37	-18	32	4	0	2	225	7.6	24	13	—	—	—	2:43	0:42	23:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
74	Jaccob Slavin	82	5	29	34	23	12	0	1	0	99	5.1	26	4	—	—	—	0:55	3:07	23:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Derek Ryan	67	11	18	29	-8	22	4	1	3	73	15.1	20	8	391	316	55.3	2:07	0:26	14:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Noah Hanifin	81	4	25	29	-19	26	2	0	1	108	3.7	18	11	—	—	—	2:01	0:02	17:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Brett Pesce	82	2	18	20	23	20	0	0	0	109	1.8	18	2	—	—	—	0:37	2:09	21:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	*Brock McGinn	57	7	9	16	-11	6	0	0	1	74	9.5	15	0	1	3	25.0	0:04	0:47	11:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	Joakim Nordstrom	82	7	5	12	-12	17	0	1	2	104	6.7	11	0	9	20	31.0	0:04	1:37	12:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Jay McClement	65	5	3	8	-8	18	0	1	1	37	13.5	7	0	253	272	48.2	0:06	1:51	11:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Phillip Di Giuseppe	36	1	6	7	-12	15	0	0	1	68	1.5	6	1	0	2	0.0	0:29	0:01	12:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Klas Dahlbeck	43	2	4	6	-12	30	0	0	0	37	5.4	6	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:24	13:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Matt Tennyson	45	0	6	6	-13	6	0	0	0	36	0.0	6	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:18	13:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Andrej Nestrasil	19	1	4	5	-3	2	0	0	0	27	3.7	5	0	3	7	30.0	0:31	0:00	10:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	*Lucas Wallmark	8	0	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	11	0.0	2	0	31	27	53.4	0:08	0:00	10:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Ty Rattie	9	0	2	2	-2	0	0	0	0	10	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:06	0:00	10:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
	StL	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:13	0:00	7:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Car	5	0	2	2	-2	0	0	0	0	9	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	13:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Ryan Murphy	27	0	2	2	-11	8	0	0	0	17	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:23	0:00	13:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	*Valentin Zykov	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	33.3	1	0	—	—	—	1:06	0:00	6:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Bryan Bickell	11	1	0	1	-4	4	1	0	1	8	12.5	0	1	0	2	0.0	1:21	0:00	10:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
61	*Sergey Tolchinsky	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:03	0:00	11:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Michael Leighton	4	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Cam Ward	61	0	1	1	—	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	*Alex Nedeljkovic	1	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Jorge Alves	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
57	*Andrew Poturalski	2	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	12	12	50.0	0:11	0:00	12:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
91	*Martin Frk	2	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Jakub Nakladal	3	0	0	0	-4	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:04	14:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	Patrick Brown	14	0	0	0	-6	0	0	0	0	12	0.0	0	0	9	6	60.0	0:01	0:05	9:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Eddie Lack	20	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
35	*Alex Nedeljkovic	1	30	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	1.000	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Jorge Alves	1	0	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Eddie Lack	20	1,090	2.64	8	7	3	3	1	48	492	.902	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Cam Ward	61	3,618	2.69	26	22	12	5	2	162	1,711	.905	0	1	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Michael Leighton	4	210	3.43	2	2	0	0	0	12	92	.870	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Min
2. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... Clb
3. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at Wpg
4. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at Edm
5. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... at Cgy
6. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... at Dal
7. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... TB
8. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... at Tor
9. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... StL
10. Sun. Oct. 29 ..... Ana
11. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at Col
12. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Ari
13. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... Fla
14. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... at Clb
15. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Chi
16. Mon. Nov. 13 ..... Dal
17. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at NYI
18. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Buf
19. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... NYI
20. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... NYR
21. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... Tor
22. Sun. Nov. 26 ..... Nsh
23. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... at Clb
24. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... at NYR
25. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... Fla
26. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... at Van
27. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at SJ
28. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at LA
29. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... at Ana
30. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... at Veg
31. Fri. Dec. 15 ..... at Buf
32. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... Clb
33. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... at Tor
34. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... at Nsh
35. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Buf
36. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Mtl
37. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... Pit
38. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... at StL
39. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... Wsh
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at Pit
41. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... at Bos
42. Tue. Jan. 9 ..... at TB
43. Thu. Jan. 11 ..... at Wsh
44. Fri. Jan. 12 ..... Wsh
45. Sun. Jan. 14 ..... Cgy
46. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Det
47. Sun. Jan. 21 ..... Veg
48. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Pit
49. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at Mtl
50. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... Ott
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... Mtl
52. Fri. Feb. 2 ..... Det
53. Sun. Feb. 4 ..... SJ
54. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... Phi
55. Fri. Feb. 9 ..... Van
56. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... Col
57. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... LA
58. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... at NJ
59. Fri. Feb. 16 ..... NYI
60. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... NJ
61. Fri. Feb. 23 ..... Pit
62. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at Det
63. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... at Bos
64. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... at Phi
65. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... NJ
66. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... Wpg
67. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... at Min
68. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Chi
69. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... at NYR
70. Tue. Mar. 13 ..... Bos
71. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... Phi
72. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... at NYI
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Edm
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... Ari
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... at Ott
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Ott
77. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... at NJ
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... at Wsh
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... NYR
80. Mon. Apr. 2 ..... at Fla
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at Phi
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... TB

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Chicago BLACKHAWKS

BY MATT CARLSON

FOLLOWING A FEEBLE playoff flop, Blackhawks management promised big changes. It was no idle threat. Chicago was shaken all the way to its core of high-priced stars after exiting the post-season in the first round for the second straight spring. The edict came from team president John McDonough days after the Blackhawks – who finished first in the West in the regular season with 109 points – were swept in four games by Nashville. McDonough said it was "unacceptable" and called on GM Stan Bowman to reshape the roster.

The team's core players – forwards Jonathan Toews and Patrick Kane, defensemen Duncan Keith and Brent Seabrook and goalie Corey Crawford – are still in place. But among the departed are defenseman Niklas Hjalmarsson and winger Marian Hossa, key members of Chicago's three Stanley Cup teams. Hjalmarsson was traded to Arizona in a deal that netted defenseman Connor Murphy, a 24-year-old who Bowman believes has solid upside. Hossa, 38, won't play next season – and possibly ever again – because of side effects from medication to treat a skin disorder. Sniping winger Artemi Panarin was sent to Columbus in a multi-player trade to reacquire a more complete physical forward in Brandon Saad, who was part of Chicago's Cup runs in 2013 and 2015.

OFFENSE The Blackhawks remain a premier possession team. Saad figures to land back on a line with Toews, with whom he once prospered. Richard Panik emerged as a hardnosed scoring threat last year with 22 goals and 44 points. Kane's puckhandling wizardry is at its peak. He clicked with center Artem Anisimov and Panarin, and Kane will make anyone who steps in for Panarin look better. That could be 35-year-old Patrick Sharp, who returns from Dallas after hip surgery and signing as a free agent. Alex DeBrincat, the OHL's MVP, is also in the mix to play with Kane.

JONATHAN TOEWS

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
50-23-9 (109 pts)

OT/SO
9-8/4-1

DIVISION
1st

OVERALL
3rd

OFFENSE
2.93 GPG (9th)

DEFENSE
2.59 GAA (11th)

POWER PLAY
18.0% (19th)

PENALTY KILL
77.7% (24th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.73% (11th)

1-GOAL GAMES
24-9-9 (.679)

2-GOAL GAMES
12-6 (.666)

3+ GOAL GAMES
14-8 (.636)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Patrick Kane (21:23)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Duncan Keith (25:37)

FAST FACTS

GM
Stan Bowman

COACH
Joel Quenneville

ARENA
United Center

CAPACITY
19,717

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
21,752 (1st)

AHL AFFILIATE
Rockford IceHogs

ECHL AFFILIATE
Indy Fuel

PLAYOFF RECORD
46-30 (since 2013)

The Hawks are banking on improvement from last year's rookie forwards Ryan Hartman, Nick Schmaltz, Vinnie Hinostroza, John Hayden and Tanner Kero. Ditto for Tomas Jurco, who arrived from Detroit in February.

DEFENSE Things thin out quickly after Keith and Seabrook. Besides Hjalmarsson, also gone are Trevor van Riemsdyk and UFAs Brian Campbell and Johnny Oduya.

Bowman has no shortage of praise for Murphy, a 6-foot-4, 212-pounder who should get more than the 19:10 of ice time he averaged in Arizona. Michal Kempny will have a bigger role in his second season. Top prospect Gustav Forsling split last year between Chicago and AHL Rockford but will be asked to make an impact, as will 27-year-old Jan Rutta, the highly sought-after Euro free agent signing out of the Czech Republic. Ville Pokka, who has spent the past three seasons in AHL Rockford, will also vie for an NHL job.

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	132
2013-14	107
2014-15	102
2015-16	103
2016-17	109

GOALTENDING The No. 1 job belongs to Crawford, but super-backup Scott Darling, a pending UFA, was traded to Carolina where he was handed the starting job. Bowman said the team's new backup is Anton Forsberg, a 24-year-old who came over as part of the Panarin-for-Saad trade. For insurance, the Blackhawks signed UFA Jean-Francois Berube, who played for the Islanders last season before being selected by Vegas in the expansion draft.

SPECIAL TEAMS The challenge will be finding penalty-killing forwards to replace Hossa and center Marcus Kruger, who was traded to Vegas and then flipped to Carolina. With Panarin gone, Chicago needs a new trigger-man on the power play – he led the Blackhawks with nine PP goals last season. Expect a different look on the man advantage, with Kane setting it up or more net-front presence on point shots.

INTANGIBLES In being swept by Nashville in Round 1, the Hawks had their longest off-season since the start of the Toews-Kane era in 2008-09. With management fuming and core players under the microscope, expect a motivated group to arrive at training camp.

ROOKIES All eyes are on DeBrincat, who scored 65 goals and 127 points in the OHL last year. The 19-year-old Michigan native is only 5-foot-7, but size hasn't hampered him so far. More immediately, Chicago needs a defensemen, Forsling or Pokka, to fill a spot and eat minutes without making too many mistakes.

X-FACTOR This time, something other than just salary cap constraints forced Bowman to rip up his roster. It doesn't matter how the Blackhawks reach the playoffs, but they must make a deep, spirited post-season run.

THE BRASS Mike Kitchen, a former teammate of coach Joel Quenneville and an assistant in Chicago for seven seasons, was fired by Bowman days after Nashville's sweep. Don Granato and Ulf Samuelsson were added. A 16-year NHL defenseman, Samuelsson played with Quenneville for five seasons in Hartford.

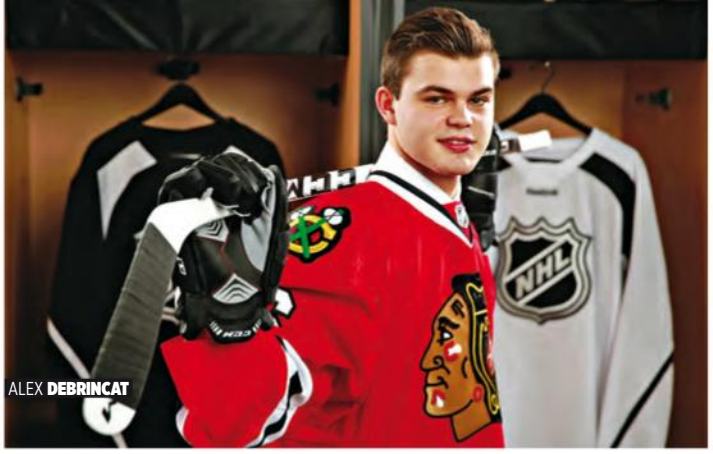
LOW-CARB DIET
Patrick Kane enjoyed the two best years of his career alongside Artemi 'Bread Man' Panarin, who will no longer be on No. 88's opposite wing after being traded to Columbus.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Brandon Saad	1 Jonathan Toews	1 Patrick Kane	1 Duncan Keith	6 Jan Rutta	1 Corey Crawford
2 Patrick Sharp	2 Artem Anisimov	2 Richard Panik	2 Brent Seabrook	7 Michal Rozsival	2 Anton Forsberg
3 Ryan Hartman	3 Nick Schmaltz	3 Alex DeBrincat	3 Connor Murphy	8 Ville Pokka	3 Jean-Francois Berube
4 Lance Bouma	4 Tanner Kero	4 John Hayden	4 Michal Kempny	9 Erik Gustafsson	
5 Tommy Wingels	5 Vinnie Hinostroza	5 Tomas Jurco	5 Gustav Forsling	10 Viktor Svedberg	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Artemi Panarin, LW; Niklas Hjalmarsson, D; Marian Hossa, RW; Marcus Kruger, C; Trevor van Riemsdyk, D; Johnny Oduya, D; Scott Darling, G; Brian Campbell, D


ALEX **DEBRINCAT**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. ALEX DEBRINCAT, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
Smallish numbers in vital stats, but huge numbers in scoring stats. Ready for next test.
ACQUIRED 39th overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. CHAD KRYS, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Slick puck-mover will have more opportunity as a sophomore after Charlie McAvoy turned pro.
ACQUIRED 45th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

3. GUSTAV FORSLING, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Rockford (AHL)
Level-headed Swede split last season between AHL and NHL. Has been mistake-prone.
ACQUIRED From Van, Jan. 2015 **NHL** '17-18

4. HENRI JOKIHARJU, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Portland (WHL)
Excellent offensive instincts, can skate the puck out of danger and quarterback the power play.
ACQUIRED 29th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

5. JOHN HAYDEN, C
AGE 22 **TEAM** Yale (ECAC)
Had his best season as captain of Bulldogs, finished off making good impression with Hawks.
ACQUIRED 74th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

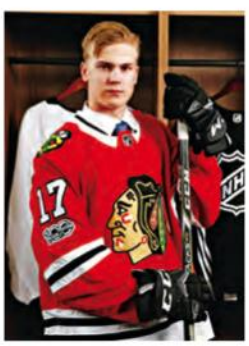
6. ANTON FORSBERG, G
AGE 24 **TEAM** Cleveland (AHL)
Needs to relax to make NHL on full-time basis. Spends too much time overthinking game.
ACQUIRED From Clb, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

7. LUCAS CARLSSON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Brynas (Swe.)
Made solid all-around impression past two seasons in men's league as a teenager.
ACQUIRED 110th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

8. RADOVAN BONDRA, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Prince George (WHL)
Well-built, towering winger flashed skill and finishing ability before call-up to AHL.
ACQUIRED 151st overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. DYLAN SIKURA, C
AGE 22 **TEAM** Northeastern (HE)
Showing impressive offensive progression in challenging league. Still needs to beef up.
ACQUIRED 178th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

10. LAURENT DAUPHIN, C
AGE 22 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Had extensive NHL call-ups with Arizona, best-suited to checking line and killing penalties.
ACQUIRED From Ari, June 2017 **NHL** '18-19



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

HENRI JOKIHARJU

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
29th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Portland

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jared Spurgeon

SCOUTING REPORT
Part of a record class of first-round Finns, Jokiharju is a slick, puck-moving defenseman with offensive upside. He was a star at the CHL Top Prospects Game and is still adjusting to the North American style.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
J-F Berube	7/13/91	NY Islanders	14	3	2	2	3.42	.889
Repentigny, Que.		*6-1, 177*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Corey Crawford	12/31/84	Chicago	55	32	18	4	2.55	.918
Montreal, Que.		*6-2, 216*	*Draft: 52nd overall ('03)*					
Anton Forsberg	11/27/92	Cleveland (AHL)	51	27	17	4	2.28	.926
Harnosand, Sweden		*6-3, 192*	*Trade: Clb 6/23/17*					
Jeff Glass	11/19/85	Tor/Rfd (AHL)	22	9	11	2	2.57	.914
Calgary, Alta.		*6-3, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 2/23/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Lucas Carlsson	7/5/97	Brynas (Swe)	41	3	8	11	16
Gavle, Sweden		*6-0, 189*	*Draft: 110th overall ('16)*				
Gustav Forsling	6/12/96	Chicago	38	2	3	5	4
Linkoping, Sweden		*6-0, 186*	*Trade: Van 1/29/15*				
Erik Gustafsson	3/14/92	Rockford (AHL)	68	5	25	30	40
Nynashamn, Sweden		*6-0, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 4/30/15*				
Henri Jokiharju	6/17/99	Portland (WHL)	71	9	39	48	38
Oulu, Finland		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 29th overall ('17)*				
Duncan Keith	7/16/83	Chicago	80	6	47	53	16
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-1, 192*	*Draft: 54th overall ('02)*				
Michal Kempny	9/8/90	Chicago	50	2	6	8	22
Hodonin, Czech.		*6-0, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 5/24/16*				
Chad Krys	4/10/98	Boston U. (HE)	39	5	6	11	10
Philadelphia, Pa.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 45th overall ('16)*				
Connor Murphy	3/26/93	Arizona	77	2	15	17	45
Dublin, Ohio		*6-4, 212*	*Trade: Ari 6/23/17*				
Jordan Oesterle	6/25/92	Bakersfield (AHL)	44	7	25	32	10
Dearborn Heights, Mich.		*6-0, 182*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Ville Pokka	6/3/94	Rockford (AHL)	76	6	24	30	35
Tornio, Finland		*6-0, 214*	*Trade: NYI 10/4/14*				
Michal Rozsival	9/3/78	Chicago	22	1	2	3	14
Vlasim, Czech.		*6-1, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 9/11/12*				
Jan Rutta	7/29/90	Chomutov (Cze)	46	8	24	32	30
Pisek, Czech.		*6-3, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 6/7/17*				
Brent Seabrook	4/20/85	Chicago	79	3	36	39	26
Richmond, B.C.		*6-3, 220*	*Draft: 14th overall ('03)*				
Luc Snuggerud	9/18/95	Neb.-Omaha (NCHC)	39	11	20	31	36
Edina, Minn.		*6-0, 184*	*Draft: 141st overall ('14)*				
Viktor Svedberg	5/24/91	Rockford (AHL)	51	2	9	11	70
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-8, 238*	*Free Agent: signed 10/19/13*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Artem Anisimov	5/24/88	Chicago	64	22	23	45	30
Yaroslavl, Russia		*6-4, 198*	*Trade: Clb 6/30/15*				
Laurent Dauphin	3/27/95	Tucson (AHL)	38	17	11	28	44
Repentigny, Que.		*6-1, 180*	*Trade: Ari 6/23/17*				
Luke Johnson	9/19/94	Rockford (AHL)	73	8	9	17	31
Grand Forks, N.D.		*5-11, 198*	*Draft: 134th overall ('13)*				
David Kampf	1/12/95	Chomutov (Cze)	52	15	16	31	16
Jirkov, Czech.		*6-2, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 5/1/17*				
Tanner Kero	7/24/92	Chicago	47	6	10	16	8
Hancock, Mich.		*6-0, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 4/2/15*				
Anthony Louis	2/10/95	Miami (Ohio) (NCHC)	36	14	25	39	20
Winfield, Ill.		*5-7, 151*	*Draft: 181st overall ('13)*				
Nick Schmaltz	2/23/96	Chicago	61	6	22	28	6
Madison, Wis.		*6-0, 177*	*Draft: 20th overall ('14)*				
Dylan Sikura	6/1/95	Northeastern (HE)	38	21	36	57	12
Aurora, Ont.		*5-11, 158*	*Draft: 178th overall ('14)*				
Jonathan Toews	4/29/88	Chicago	72	21	37	58	35
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 201*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('06)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Lance Bouma	3/25/90	Calgary	61	3	4	7	35
Provost, Alta.		*6-2, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Alex DeBrincat	12/18/97	Erie (OHL)	63	65	62	127	49
Farmington Hills, Mich.		*5-7, 165*	*Draft: 39th overall ('16)*				
Alexandre Fortin	2/25/97	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	52	22	30	52	14
Blainville, Que.		*6-0, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 9/25/16*				
John Hayden	2/14/95	Yale (ECAC)	33	21	13	34	62
Chicago, Ill.		*6-3, 223*	*Draft: 74th overall ('13)*				
Vinnie Hinostroza	4/3/94	Chicago	49	6	8	14	17
Chicago, Ill.		*5-9, 173*	*Draft: 169th overall ('12)*				
Tomas Jurco	12/28/92	Det/Chi	29	1	0	1	4
Kosice, Slovakia		*6-2, 188*	*Trade: Det 2/24/17*				
Brandon Saad	10/27/92	Columbus	82	24	29	53	8
Pittsburgh, Pa.		*6-1, 206*	*Trade: Clb 6/23/17*				
Patrick Sharp	12/27/81	Dallas	48	8	10	18	31
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Tommy Wingels	4/12/88	SJ/Ott	73	7	5	12	27
Evanston, Ill.		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kyle Baun	5/4/92	Rockford (AHL)	74	14	20	34	42
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 3/26/15*				
Radovan Bondra	1/27/97	Van/PG (WHL)	62	32	31	63	40
Trebisov, Slovakia		*6-5, 217*	*Draft: 151st overall ('15)*				
Ryan Hartman	9/20/94	Chicago	76	19	12	31	70
Hilton Head Island, S.C.		*6-0, 181*	*Draft: 30th overall ('13)*				
Matt Iacopelli	5/15/94	W. Michigan (NCHC)	40	20	16	36	20
Woodhaven, Mich.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 83rd overall ('14)*				
Patrick Kane	11/19/88	Chicago	82	34	55	89	32
Buffalo, N.Y.		*5-11, 177*	*Draft: 1st overall ('07)*				
Richard Panik	2/7/91	Chicago	82	22	22	44	58
Martin, Slovakia		*6-1, 208*	*Trade: Tor 1/3/16*				
Jordin Tootoo	2/2/83	Chicago	50	2	1	3	28
Churchill, Man.		*5-9, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/16*				

*Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	EXTENDED STATS S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
88	Patrick Kane	82	34	55	89	11	32	7	0	5	292	11.6	66	23	7	44	13.7	3:24	0:04	21:23	4	1	1	2	-3	2
72	Artemi Panarin	82	31	43	74	18	21	9	0	5	211	14.7	57	17	2	8	20.0	3:08	0:01	19:28	4	0	1	1	-4	0
19	Jonathan Toews	72	21	37	58	7	35	6	0	5	199	10.6	41	17	852	700	54.9	2:41	1:18	20:09	4	1	1	2	-5	0
2	Duncan Keith	80	6	47	53	22	16	2	0	2	183	3.3	38	15	—	—	—	3:09	2:26	25:37	4	0	1	1	-6	2
81	Marian Hossa	73	26	19	45	7	8	5	1	7	167	15.6	33	11	5	9	35.7	1:43	1:32	16:51	4	0	0	0	-4	2
15	Artem Anisimov	64	22	23	45	9	30	4	0	7	105	21.0	37	8	416	506	45.1	2:22	0:49	17:50	4	0	0	0	-2	0
14	Richard Panik	82	22	22	44	14	58	4	0	5	155	14.2	35	9	2	5	28.6	1:38	0:00	14:44	4	0	1	1	-3	2
7	Brent Seabrook	79	3	36	39	5	26	2	0	0	131	2.3	25	14	0	1	0.0	2:41	1:53	21:53	4	0	0	0	-3	2
38	*Ryan Hartman	76	19	12	31	13	70	1	0	4	170	11.2	30	1	25	37	40.3	0:31	0:05	12:46	4	0	0	0	-3	14
8	*Nick Schmaltz	61	6	22	28	10	6	0	0	0	66	9.1	26	2	84	188	30.9	1:02	0:01	13:15	4	0	0	0	-2	2
4	Niklas Hjalmarsson	73	5	13	18	12	20	0	0	0	61	8.2	17	0	—	—	—	0:05	2:48	21:29	4	0	0	0	-4	2
16	Marcus Kruger	70	5	12	17	7	34	0	0	0	83	6.0	17	0	357	370	49.1	0:05	2:13	14:01	4	0	1	1	-2	2
51	Brian Campbell	80	5	12	17	12	24	2	0	1	74	6.8	12	5	—	—	—	1:36	0:06	18:25	4	0	0	0	-2	0
67	*Tanner Kero	47	6	10	16	15	8	0	0	0	60	10.0	16	0	209	262	44.4	0:06	1:25	13:29	4	0	0	0	-2	0
57	Trevor van Riemsdyk	58	5	11	16	17	29	0	0	2	73	6.8	16	0	—	—	—	0:32	0:51	18:24	4	0	0	0	-4	0
48	*Vinnie Hinostroza	49	6	8	14	-1	17	0	0	2	76	7.9	14	0	68	103	39.8	0:19	0:00	11:58	1	0	0	0	-2	0
27	Johnny Oduya	52	2	7	9	-4	18	0	0	0	37	5.4	9	0	—	—	—	0:08	2:19	18:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Dal	37	1	6	7	-2	10	0	0	0	24	4.2	7	0	—	—	—	0:09	2:30	18:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Chi	15	1	1	2	-2	8	0	0	0	13	7.7	2	0	—	—	—	0:05	1:51	18:31	4	0	0	0	-3	0
70	Dennis Rasmussen	68	4	4	8	-4	12	0	0	0	77	5.2	8	0	165	205	44.6	0:02	1:45	11:49	3	1	0	1	-2	0
6	Michal Kempny	50	2	6	8	1	22	0	0	0	67	3.0	8	0	—	—	—	0:06	0:40	14:57	1	0	0	0	0	0
64	*Tyler Motte	33	4	3	7	2	14	0	0	0	46	8.7	7	0	4	6	40.0	0:05	1:06	11:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	*Gustav Forsling	38	2	3	5	3	4	0	0	0	48	4.2	4	1	—	—	—	0:56	0:04	14:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*John Hayden	12	1	3	4	3	4	0	0	0	22	4.5	4	0	—	—	—	0:15	0:00	11:41	1	0	0	0	0	0
22	Jordin Tootoo	50	2	1	3	-6	28	0	0	0	43	4.7	3	0	1	0	100.0	0:01	0:00	6:44	2	0	0	0	0	0
32	Michal Rozsival	22	1	2	3	-3	14	0	0	1	16	6.3	3	0	—	—	—	0:08	1:07	15:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Tomas Jurco	29	1	0	1	-12	4	0	0	0	35	2.9	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:18	0:03	10:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Det	16	0	0	0	-8	2	0	0	0	12	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:21	0:07	10:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Chi	13	1	0	1	-4	2	0	0	0	23	4.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:14	0:00	11:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Andrew Desjardins	46	0	1	1	-6	22	0	0	0	46	0.0	1	0	39	30	56.5	0:00	0:39	9:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	Corey Crawford	55	0	1	1	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	4	0	0	0	—	0
24	Spencer Abbott	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Scott Darling	32	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
33	Scott Darling	32	1,689	2.38	18	5	5	1	2	67	877	.924	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	Corey Crawford	55	3,247	2.55	32	18	4	6	2	138	1,691	.918	0	1	2	4	254	2.83	0	4	1	0	12	123	.902

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... Pit
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Clb
3. Mon. Oct. 9 ..... at Tor
4. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... at Mtl
5. Thu. Oct. 12 ..... Min
6. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... Nsh
7. Wed. Oct. 18 ..... at StL
8. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... Edm
9. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... at Ari
10. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... at Veg
11. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... Nsh
12. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at Col
13. Wed. Nov. 1 ..... Phi
14. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Min
15. Sun. Nov. 5 ..... Mtl
16. Thu. Nov. 9 ..... at Phi
17. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at Car
18. Sun. Nov. 12 ..... NJ
19. Wed. Nov. 15 ..... NYR
20. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Pit
21. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at TB
22. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... at Fla
23. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... Ana
24. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... at Nsh
25. Thu. Nov. 30 ..... Dal
26. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... at Dal
27. Sun. Dec. 3 ..... LA
28. Wed. Dec. 6 ..... at Wsh
29. Fri. Dec. 8 ..... Buf
30. Sun. Dec. 10 ..... Ari
31. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... Fla
32. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Wpg
33. Sun. Dec. 17 ..... Min
34. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... at Dal
35. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at NJ
36. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... at Van
37. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at Edm
38. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... at Cgy
39. Wed. Jan. 3 ..... at NYR
40. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... Veg
41. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... Edm
42. Tue. Jan. 9 ..... at Ott
43. Wed. Jan. 10 ..... Min
44. Fri. Jan. 12 ..... Wpg
45. Sun. Jan. 14 ..... Det
46. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... NYI
47. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... TB
48. Wed. Jan. 24 ..... Tor
49. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at Det
50. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Nsh
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at Van
52. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at Cgy
53. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... Cgy
54. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... Dal
55. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... at Min
56. Mon. Feb. 12 ..... at Ari
57. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... at Veg
58. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Ana
59. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... Wsh
60. Mon. Feb. 19 ..... LA
61. Wed. Feb. 21 ..... Ott
62. Fri. Feb. 23 ..... SJ
63. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at Clb
64. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... at SJ
65. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at LA
66. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... at Ana
67. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... Col
68. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... Car
69. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at Bos
70. Sun. Mar. 11 ..... Bos
71. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... at Wpg
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at Buf
73. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... StL
74. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Col
75. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... Van
76. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... at NYI
77. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... SJ
78. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... Wpg
79. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... at Col
80. Wed. Apr. 4 ..... at StL
81. Fri. Apr. 6 ..... StL
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Wpg

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Colorado AVALANCHE

BY MIKE CHAMBERS

AFTER THE WORST season in the NHL's salary cap era, Colorado's management didn't hit its roster with a wrecking ball as many expected. En route to a club-record low 22 wins and 48 points, the Avalanche were quiet at the trade deadline and didn't acquire any additional draft choices in June, days after losing budding goaltender Calvin Pickard to Vegas in the expansion draft. They bought out 37-year-old defenseman Francois Beauchemin, didn't qualify RFA center Mikhail Grigorenko and made modest moves on July 1 and beyond.

Colorado's 48 points were the fewest since the expansion Atlanta Thrashers opened business with 39 points in 1999-2000. The Avs have been selling tickets for 2017-18 on the premise that everything will be OK in the coming season, that second-year coach Jared Bednar will now have a handle on a team that finished last in scoring and defense, and that the young prospects who will replace a handful of 30-somethings will make all the difference. That seems awfully optimistic.

OFFENSE Newcomers Colin Wilson and Nail Yakupov join a toxic core of forwards who struggled mightily last season. The high-priced trio of Nathan MacKinnon (16 goals), Matt Duchene (18) and Gabriel Landeskog (18) each failed to reach 20 goals and secondary scoring was nearly nonexistent. Superbly talented Mikko Rantanen, 20, led Colorado with 20 goals and should easily improve on his production in his sophomore season. Joe Colborne scored three goals on opening night, then just one more in his next 61 games.

No defensemen reached 10 goals. Late-season arrivals Sven Andrighetto (acquired from Montreal) and Tyson Jost (signed from North Dakota) have promise, but no true top-six forward was acquired in the off-season.

MIKKO RANTANEN

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
22-56-4 (48 pts)

OT/SO
7-2/1-2

DIVISION
7th

OVERALL
30th

OFFENSE
2.01 GPG (30th)

DEFENSE
3.37 GAA (30th)

POWER PLAY
12.6% (30th)

PENALTY KILL
76.6% (29th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
46.78% (29th)

1-GOAL GAMES
13-15-4 (.469)

2-GOAL GAMES
5-14 (.263)

3+ GOAL GAMES
4-27 (.129)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
N. MacKinnon (19:56)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Tyson Barrie (23:18)

FAST FACTS

GM
Joe Sakic

COACH
Jared Bednar

ARENA
Pepsi Center

CAPACITY
18,007

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
14,835 (25th)

AHL AFFILIATE
San Antonio Rampage

ECHL AFFILIATE
Colorado Eagles

PLAYOFF RECORD
3-4 (since 2013)

DEFENSE As of mid-July, the only NHL-signed defensemen on the roster were Tyson Barrie, Erik Johnson and Mark Barberio. Nikita Zadorov will be signed as an RFA, but beyond those four the blueline is bare.

Russian rearguard Andrei Mironov, 23, is set to join the Avs after playing five seasons in the KHL, but he's unproven on North American ice. Among other prospects, a pair of 22-year-olds, Chris Bigras and Anton Lindholm, could step in.

GOALTENDING Jonathan Bernier was signed to replace Pickard. The plan is for Bernier to back up Semyon Varlamov, who had season-ending hip and groin surgeries after being statistically outperformed by Pickard for the third straight year. Nobody questions Varlamov's elite talent. But after three disappointing seasons in Colorado, many doubt whether he'll ever return to the form that saw him become a Vezina Trophy finalist in 2013-14.

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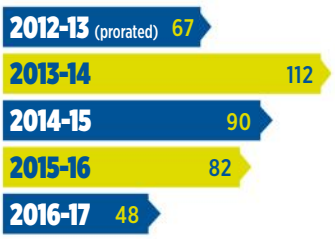
TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES The historic failure that was 2016-17 embarrassed the organization from top to bottom. Will the roster enter the season fiercely motivated, or will last year's losing stench follow the Avs into 2017-18? The potential of a rookie-laden lineup may help the psyche of the club.

ROOKIES All eyes will be on Jost, 19, and Mironov. There's also a good chance that left winger A.J. Greer, 20, and D-men Bigras and Lindholm primarily play in the NHL this season. Former University of Michigan captain J.T. Compher, 22, is also expected to make the team, so the Avs could have five or more rookies on their season-opening roster.

X-FACTOR Duchene was expected to be traded for a hefty return, but it hadn't happened midway through the summer. It's probably best for both parties that he moves on to another team. As long as Duchene remains in Colorado, the Avs blueline won't improve and the team will continue to struggle.

THE BRASS The Avalanche are at the bottom of the league because GM Joe Sakic has made too many mistakes in his four years on the job, and owner Josh Kroenke is unwilling to step in and relieve the Hall of Famer because of who he is and what he represents to the Colorado hockey community. The Avs are seemingly in no hurry to rebuild through blockbuster trades and free agent signings. So expect another painful season, but with a younger roster.

SPECIAL TEAMS Months after firing assistant coaches Tim Army (offense), Dave Farrish (defense) and Francois Allaire (goaltending), the Avs hired Ray Bennett to replace Army and Jussi Parkkila to take over for Allaire. Bednar retained defensive assistant Nolan Pratt, the former Avalanche defenseman who worked with Bednar for the Calder Cup-champion Lake Erie Monsters in 2015-16. Army, Farrish and Allaire were holdovers from Patrick Roy's staff and likely retained because they were under contract through 2016-17. Will the bench moves help? They can't hurt – the Avs ranked last in power play efficiency and 29th on the penalty kill last season.

NEXT OF 'KINNON

Nathan MacKinnon, just 22 and already a veteran of four NHL seasons, has plenty of room to grow and is a key pillar of the Avs' future as they try to return to respectability.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Gabriel Landeskog	**1** Nathan MacKinnon	**1** Mikko Rantanen	**1** Tyson Barrie	**6** Andrei Mironov	**1** Semyon Varlamov
2 Sven Andrighetto	**2** Matt Duchene	**2** Nail Yakupov	**2** Erik Johnson	**7** Chris Bigras	**2** Jonathan Bernier
3 Colin Wilson	**3** Tyson Jost	**3** Joe Colborne	**3** Nikita Zadorov	**8** Anton Lindholm	**3** Spencer Martin
4 Matt Nieto	**4** J.T. Compher	**4** Blake Comeau	**4** Mark Barberio	**9** David Warsofsky	
5 A.J. Greer	**5** Carl Soderberg	**5** Rocco Grimaldi	**5** Duncan Siemens	**10** Mason Geertsen	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Francois Beauchemin, D; Mikhail Grigorenko, C; Calvin Pickard, G; Patrick Wiercioch, D; Rene Bourque, RW

TYSON **JOST**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. TYSON JOST, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** North Dakota (NCHC)
Quick and smart, he does everything well on a variety of levels, including leadership.
ACQUIRED 10th overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. CALE MAKAR, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Brooks (Jr. A)
High-end hockey IQ, he reads plays and executes well. Ready for next step at UMass.
ACQUIRED 4th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. A.J. GREER, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** San Antonio (AHL)
From high school to NCAA to QMJHL to AHL, even brief NHL duty in just four seasons.
ACQUIRED 39th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

4. CHRIS BIGRAS, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** San Antonio (AHL)
Development stalled by injuries. Good hockey sense but could be more physical.
ACQUIRED 32nd overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

5. J.T. COMPHER, C
AGE 22 **TEAM** San Antonio (AHL)
Michigan playmaking wizard adjusted well in rookie pro season, despite injuries.
ACQUIRED From Buf, June 2015 **NHL** '17-18

6. CONOR TIMMINS, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Intelligent defender needs to work on his skating and continue physical development.
ACQUIRED 32nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

7. ANDREI MIRONOV, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Dynamo Moscow (KHL)
Experienced KHLer does everything well and isn't shy about delivering a hip check.
ACQUIRED 101st overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

8. SPENCER MARTIN, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** San Antonio (AHL)
Second-year pro was solid with heavy workload on weak defensive team in San Antonio.
ACQUIRED 63rd overall, 2013 **NHL** '20-21

9. ANTON LINDHOLM, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** San Antonio (AHL)
Undersized defender not known for offensive prowess. Smooth and steady in own end.
ACQUIRED 144th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

10. JEAN-CHRISTOPHE BEAUDIN, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)
Quick-skating winger posted another 30-goal season in 'Q'. Was dynamite in playoffs.
ACQUIRED 94th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

CALE MAKAR

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
4th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Brooks

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Erik Karlsson

SCOUTING REPORT
A high-end talent who dominated the Jr. A ranks, Makar blends skating, skill and bite with devastating efficiency. The University of Massachusetts commit isn't big, but he's extremely competitive.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jonathan Bernier	8/7/88	Anaheim	39	21	7	4	2.50	.915
Laval, Que.		*6-0, 184*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Joe Cannata	1/2/90	Her/SA (AHL)	28	13	8	4	3.30	.875
Wakefield, Mass.		*6-1, 200*	*Trade: Wsh 3/1/17*					
Spencer Martin	6/8/95	San Antonio (AHL)	50	19	26	4	2.90	.904
Oakville, Ont.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 63rd overall ('13)*					
Maximilian Pajpach	1/4/96	Poprad (Svk)	9	-	-	-	4.22	.872
Poprad, Slovakia		*6-0, 207*	*Draft: 174th overall ('14)*					
Semyon Varlamov	4/27/88	Colorado	24	6	17	0	3.38	.898
Samara, Russia		*6-2, 209*	*Trade: Wsh 7/1/11*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mark Barberio	3/23/90	Mtl/Col	60	2	11	13	14
Montreal, Que.		*6-1, 207*	*Waivers: Mtl 2/2/17*				
Tyson Barrie	7/26/91	Colorado	74	7	31	38	18
Victoria, B.C.		*5-10, 190*	*Draft: 64th overall ('09)*				
Chris Bigras	2/22/95	San Antonio (AHL)	45	5	14	19	37
Orillia, Ont.		*6-1, 190*	*Draft: 32nd overall ('13)*				
Sergei Boikov	1/24/96	San Antonio (AHL)	63	3	13	16	69
Khabarovsk, Russia		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 161st overall ('15)*				
Mason Geertsen	4/19/95	San Antonio (AHL)	36	0	4	4	52
Drayton Valley, Alta.		*6-4, 215*	*Draft: 93rd overall ('13)*				
Erik Johnson	3/21/88	Colorado	46	2	15	17	9
Bloomington, Minn.		*6-4, 225*	*Trade: StL 2/19/11*				
Anton Lindholm	11/29/94	San Antonio (AHL)	62	2	11	13	39
Skelleftea, Sweden		*5-11, 191*	*Draft: 144th overall ('14)*				
Cale Makar	10/30/98	Brooks (AJHL)	54	24	51	75	18
Calgary, Alta.		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 4th overall ('17)*				
Nicolas Meloche	7/18/97	Gat/Cha (QMJHL)	61	16	31	47	73
LaSalle, Que.		*6-3, 204*	*Draft: 40th overall ('15)*				
Andrei Mironov	7/29/94	Dyn. Moscow (KHL)	18	1	3	4	10
Moscow, Russia		*6-3, 194*	*Draft: 101st overall ('15)*				
Duncan Siemens	9/7/93	San Antonio (AHL)	73	2	5	7	100
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 11th overall ('11)*				
Conor Timmins	9/18/98	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	67	7	54	61	69
St. Catherines, Ont.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 32nd overall ('17)*				
David Warsofsky	5/30/90	WB/Scranton (AHL)	58	16	31	47	32
Marshfield, Mass.		*5-9, 170*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Nikita Zadorov	4/16/95	Colorado	56	0	10	10	73
Moscow, Russia		*6-5, 230*	*Trade: Buf 6/26/15*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
J.T. Compher	4/8/95	San Antonio (AHL)	41	13	17	30	22
Northbrook, Ill.		*6-0, 193*	*Trade: Buf 6/26/15*				
Felix Girard	5/9/94	Mil/SA (AHL)	73	10	18	28	105
Levis, Que.		*5-10, 197*	*Trade: Nsh 1/13/17*				
Tyson Jost	3/14/98	North Dakota (NCHC)	33	16	19	35	44
St. Albert, Alta.		*5-11, 191*	*Draft: 10th overall ('16)*				
Nathan MacKinnon	9/1/95	Colorado	82	16	37	53	16
Halifax, N.S.		*6-0, 205*	*Draft: 1st overall ('13)*				
Julien Nantel	9/6/96	San Antonio (AHL)	59	5	3	8	10
Laval, Que.		*6-0, 193*	*Draft: 204th overall ('14)*				
Gustav Olhaver	7/3/97	Rogle (Swe Jr.)	36	15	23	38	41
Angelholm, Sweden		*6-6, 225*	*Draft: 191st overall ('15)*				
Carl Soderberg	10/12/85	Colorado	80	6	8	14	22
Malmo, Sweden		*6-3, 210*	*Trade: Bos 6/25/15*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andrew Agozzino	1/3/91	Chicago (AHL)	71	18	36	54	57
Kleinburg, Ont.		*5-10, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Sven Andrighetto	3/21/93	Mtl/Col	46	7	17	24	12
Zurich, Switzerland		*5-10, 188*	*Trade: Mtl 3/1/17*				
Gabriel Bourque	9/23/90	San Antonio (AHL)	61	10	23	33	20
Rimouski, Que.		*5-10, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 10/10/16*				
Joe Colborne	1/30/90	Colorado	62	4	4	8	34
Calgary, Alta.		*6-5, 221*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
A.J. Greer	12/14/96	San Antonio (AHL)	63	15	23	38	78
Joliette, Que.		*6-3, 204*	*Draft: 39th overall ('15)*				
Gabriel Landeskog	11/23/92	Colorado	72	18	15	33	62
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 215*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('11)*				
Cameron Morrison	8/27/98	Notre Dame (HE)	40	12	12	24	12
Aurora, Ont.		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 40th overall ('16)*				
Matt Nieto	11/5/92	SJ/Col	59	7	6	13	8
Long Beach, Calif.		*5-11, 190*	*Waivers: SJ 1/5/17*				
Reid Petryk	2/2/93	San Antonio (AHL)	45	10	5	15	15
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Colin Wilson	10/20/89	Nashville	70	12	23	35	18
Greenwich, Conn.		*6-1, 221*	*Trade: Nsh 7/1/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
J-C Beaudin	3/27/97	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	65	30	50	80	33
Longueuil, Que.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 71st overall ('15)*				
Blake Comeau	2/18/86	Colorado	77	8	12	20	58
Meadow Lake, Sask.		*6-1, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Matt Duchene	1/16/91	Colorado	77	18	23	41	12
Haliburton, Ont.		*5-11, 195*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('09)*				
Rocco Grimaldi	2/8/93	San Antonio (AHL)	72	31	24	55	39
Anaheim, Calif.		*5-6, 180*	*Trade: Fla 6/23/16*				
Mikko Rantanen	10/29/96	Colorado	75	20	18	38	22
Nousiainen, Finland		*6-4, 211*	*Draft: 10th overall ('15)*				
Trent Vogelhuber	7/13/88	San Antonio (AHL)	15	0	2	2	8
Dublin, Ohio		*6-2, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Nail Yakupov	10/6/93	St. Louis	40	3	6	9	14
Nizhnekamsk, Russia		*5-11, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/17*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	EXTENDED STATS ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
29	Nathan MacKinnon	82	16	37	53	-14	16	2	2	4	251	6.4	37	14	769	752	50.6	2:46	1:44	19:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Matt Duchene	77	18	23	41	-34	12	3	1	3	160	11.3	31	9	687	411	62.6	2:30	0:57	18:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
96	*Mikko Rantanen	75	20	18	38	-25	22	4	0	2	133	15.0	28	10	29	21	58.0	2:43	0:04	18:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Tyson Barrie	74	7	31	38	-34	18	1	0	2	182	3.8	28	10	—	—	—	3:04	0:32	23:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
92	Gabriel Landeskog	72	18	15	33	-25	62	5	1	2	169	10.7	26	6	62	63	49.6	2:21	1:47	18:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Sven Andrighetto	46	7	17	24	1	12	2	0	0	68	10.3	20	4	7	3	70.0	1:06	0:00	13:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	27	2	6	8	1	4	0	0	0	31	6.5	7	1	—	—	—	0:15	0:00	11:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	19	5	11	16	0	8	2	0	0	37	13.5	13	3	7	3	70.0	2:20	0:02	17:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Mikhail Grigorenko	75	10	13	23	-14	18	0	0	0	85	11.8	19	4	111	81	57.8	1:46	1:05	14:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Blake Comeau	77	8	12	20	-19	58	2	1	1	103	7.8	17	2	114	132	46.3	0:37	1:54	14:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	Rene Bourque	65	12	6	18	-19	56	2	0	2	111	10.8	16	2	0	5	0.0	1:31	0:10	13:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	F. Beauchemin	81	5	13	18	-14	32	0	0	1	132	3.8	15	3	—	—	—	1:04	3:02	21:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Erik Johnson	46	2	15	17	-6	9	0	0	1	96	2.1	11	6	—	—	—	2:06	2:49	22:04	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Carl Soderberg	80	6	8	14	-26	22	1	0	0	128	4.7	12	2	365	337	52.0	0:58	0:41	13:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	Matt Nieto	59	7	6	13	-12	8	0	0	1	85	8.2	12	0	2	4	33.3	0:33	1:40	14:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SJ	16	0	2	2	-3	4	0	0	0	24	0.0	2	0	0	2	0.0	0:08	1:25	12:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	43	7	4	11	-9	4	0	0	1	61	11.5	10	0	2	2	50.0	0:42	1:45	15:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	Mark Barberio	60	2	11	13	-5	14	1	0	0	80	2.5	9	4	—	—	—	1:37	0:32	18:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	26	0	4	4	1	10	0	0	0	28	0.0	3	1	—	—	—	0:54	0:40	15:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	34	2	7	9	-6	4	1	0	0	52	3.8	6	3	—	—	—	2:11	0:22	20:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Fedor Tyutin	69	1	12	13	-25	38	0	0	0	46	2.2	13	0	—	—	—	0:02	2:30	18:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Patrick Wiercioch	57	4	8	12	-18	23	0	0	0	63	6.3	12	0	—	—	—	0:55	1:24	16:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Nikita Zadorov	56	0	10	10	-20	73	0	0	0	61	0.0	8	2	—	—	—	0:38	2:08	19:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Joe Colborne	62	4	4	8	-21	34	2	0	0	48	8.3	5	3	45	72	38.5	0:47	0:28	10:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	John Mitchell	65	3	4	7	-12	45	0	0	1	57	5.3	7	0	298	240	55.4	0:12	0:37	12:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	*J.T. Compher	21	3	2	5	0	4	1	0	1	30	10.0	4	1	78	86	47.6	1:51	0:50	14:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Cody Goloubef	33	0	5	5	-11	25	0	0	0	35	0.0	5	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:45	16:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Calvin Pickard	50	0	2	2	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	*Samuel Henley	1	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	1	100.0	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:12	5:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	*Tyson Jost	6	1	0	1	-5	0	0	0	0	9	11.1	1	0	28	42	40.0	1:46	0:56	15:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Rocco Grimaldi	4	0	1	1	-3	2	0	0	0	11	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	11:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	*A.J. Greer	5	0	1	1	-2	4	0	0	0	8	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:34	0:23	13:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Semyon Varlamov	24	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Eric Gelinas	27	0	1	1	-4	12	0	0	0	29	0.0	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:04	0:07	11:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	*Duncan Siemens	3	0	0	0	-2	2	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:04	12:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Spencer Martin	3	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
57	Gabriel Bourque	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	2:12	11:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Jeremy Smith	10	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
54	*Anton Lindholm	12	0	0	0	-8	2	0	0	0	7	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:10	14:45	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
31	Calvin Pickard	50	2,820	2.98	15	31	2	7	2	140	1,461	.904	0	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Semyon Varlamov	24	1,348	3.38	6	17	0	5	1	76	745	.898	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Jeremy Smith	10	543	3.54	1	6	1	3	0	32	286	.888	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Spencer Martin	3	179	4.36	0	2	1	0	0	13	96	.865	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... at NYR
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... at NJ
3. Mon. Oct. 9 ..... at Bos
4. Wed. Oct. 11 ..... Bos
5. Fri. Oct. 13 ..... Ana
6. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at Dal
7. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at Nsh
8. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... StL
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Dal
10. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... at Veg
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... Chi
12. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... Car
13. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Phi
14. Sun. Nov. 5 ..... at NYI
15. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... Ott
16. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at Ott
17. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... Wsh
18. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Nsh
19. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... at Det
20. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... Dal
21. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... at Min
22. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... Cgy
23. Wed. Nov. 29 ..... Wpg
24. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... NJ
25. Sun. Dec. 3 ..... Dal
26. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... Buf
27. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at TB
28. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at Fla
29. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... at Pit
30. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... at Wsh
31. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... Fla
32. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... TB
33. Mon. Dec. 18 ..... Pit
34. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... at LA
35. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at Ari
36. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Ari
37. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... Tor
38. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... NYI
39. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... Wpg
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... Clb
41. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... Min
42. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... at Dal
43. Mon. Jan. 15 ..... Ana
44. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... SJ
45. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... NYR
46. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... at Tor
47. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Mtl
48. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at StL
49. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Van
50. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at Edm
51. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at Wpg
52. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... SJ
53. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... at StL
54. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... at Car
55. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... at Buf
56. Wed. Feb. 14 ..... Mtl
57. Fri. Feb. 16 ..... at Wpg
58. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... Edm
59. Tue. Feb. 20 ..... at Van
60. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... at Edm
61. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at Cgy
62. Mon. Feb. 26 ..... Van
63. Wed. Feb. 28 ..... Cgy
64. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... Min
65. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... Nsh
66. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... at Chi
67. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Clb
68. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... Ari
69. Tue. Mar. 13 ..... at Min
70. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... at StL
71. Fri. Mar. 16 ..... Nsh
72. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... Det
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at Chi
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... LA
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Veg
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... at Veg
77. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... Phi
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... Chi
79. Sun. Apr. 1 ..... at Ana
80. Mon. Apr. 2 ..... at LA
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at SJ
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... StL

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Columbus BLUE JACKETS

BY AARON PORTZLINE

SAY THIS FOR the Blue Jackets: they are anything but predictable. Two years ago, Columbus had the second-worst start in NHL history (0-8-0). One year later, they pulled off the second-longest winning streak in the history of the league (16 games), set franchise records for wins and points and jumped from fourth-worst to fourth-best in the standings. It ended with a thud. A five-game bounce from the first round of the playoffs by eventual champion Pittsburgh was a sobering look at how far the Jackets still have to go.

At the same time, the outlook in Columbus has never been brighter. The Blue Jackets wanted to add an electrifying offensive element during the summer, and they found one in winger Artemi Panarin, acquired from Chicago for Brandon Saad. With a dynamic young defense corps and Vezina Trophy winner Sergei Bobrovsky, the Jackets hope to be predictably good this year.

OFFENSE The Blue Jackets ranked sixth in the league in scoring and had some explosive nights at the rink, hanging a 10 spot on Montreal and scoring six-plus goals a handful of times. Cam Atkinson led Columbus in scoring for a second straight year, setting career highs in goals (35) and points (62). Panarin should challenge him for the team scoring lead. The 25-year-old sniper is eighth in points in his two years in the NHL and is heralded as a power play weapon.

Alexander Wennberg (46 assists) and Josh Anderson (17 goals) had breakout years, while Nick Foligno, Brandon Dubinsky and Boone Jenner provided ample secondary scoring. The challenge for the Blue Jackets will be replacing the output of three departed regulars: Sam Gagner, Scott Hartnell and William Karlsson.

DEFENSE Long the sinkhole on the roster, the Jackets' blueline is now one of the best in hockey. Rookie Zach Werenski and Seth Jones combined for 89 points and gave the Blue Jackets a young, dominant top pairing, not to mention two 40-point producers on defense for the first time in franchise history. Jones looks like a future Norris Trophy winner, while Werenski already boasts an unflappable calm usually held by veterans. There's temptation to split them up, but for now they're a brilliant duo.

Jack Johnson and David Savard form a big-bodied, shutdown pair that can log heavy minutes if a lead needs to be protected. Ryan Murray, the No. 2 overall pick in 2012, has slid to the third pair and could be traded. He's getting pushed by Markus Nutivaara and Gabriel Carlsson.

GOALTENDING Bobrovsky won his second Vezina Trophy and finished third in voting for the Hart. He led the NHL with a .931 save percentage and 2.06 goals-against average, but most importantly he pushed aside three

ZACH WERENSKI

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2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
50-24-8 (108 pts)

OT/SO
9-6/2-2

DIVISION
3rd

OVERALL
4th

OFFENSE
3.01 GPG (6th)

DEFENSE
2.35 GAA (2nd)

POWER PLAY
19.9% (12th)

PENALTY KILL
82.5% (9th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.99% (8th)

1-GOAL GAMES
23-9-8 (.675)

2-GOAL GAMES
11-8 (.578)

3+ GOAL GAMES
16-7 (.695)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Nick Foligno (18:25)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Seth Jones (23:24)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jarmo Kekalainen

COACH
John Tortorella

ARENA
Nationwide Arena

CAPACITY
18,144

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
15,857 (23rd)

AHL AFFILIATE
Cleveland Monsters

PLAYOFF RECORD
8-3 (since 2013)

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	94
2013-14	93
2014-15	89
2015-16	76
2016-17	108

years of groin injuries to stay healthy. Look for him to play between 60 and 65 games again. Joonas Korpisalo is the undisputed backup.

SPECIAL TEAMS With Panarin joining the band up front and Werenski a year older on the point, the power play should be special. It was a dominant unit for the first half of the 2016-17 season before cooling off. Expect Wennberg, Atkinson and Foligno on the top unit, leaving Jones, Jenner, Oliver Bjorkstrand and others to anchor a solid second unit. The penalty kill took a hit with the loss of Karlsson in the expansion draft, but the Blue Jackets believe second-year NHLer Lukas Sedlak can step in and fill the void.

ROBBED BY 'BOB' After taking home the award in 2012-13, Sergei Bobrovsky once again snagged the Vezina Trophy last season, leading Columbus to its most successful campaign in franchise history.

INTANGIBLES Tortorella began sounding the alarm only one day after the Blue Jackets were beaten by Pittsburgh: "We haven't accomplished anything yet." He'll be on high alert over the summer and in training camp for any hint of complacency. The tendency in Columbus has been to take a deep breath after a small success. After the organization's previous two playoff berths, they hit rock bottom before climbing back to respectability.

ROOKIES The Jackets took heat at the 2016 draft for picking Pierre-Luc Dubois at No. 3 instead of Jesse Puljujarvi. After sending Dubois back to junior, where he switched from the wing to center halfway through the year, he should be ready to contribute, perhaps in a third-line role. Towering D-man Carlsson was baptized in the playoffs and will push for consistent time on the third pair.

X-FACTOR Bobrovsky is willing to see a sports psychologist, his agent said, in order to overcome his playoff struggles. Bobrovsky has excelled in the Olympics, World Cup and world championships, but he's 3-10 with an .887 save percentage in his NHL playoff career.

THE BRASS The Jackets' triumvirate is working well, with president of hockey operations John Davidson, GM Jarmo Kekalainen and assistant GM Bill Zito. Tortorella enters the final year of his contract and will be looking for a raise.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Artemi Panarin	1 Alexander Wennberg	1 Cam Atkinson	1 Seth Jones	6 Gabriel Carlsson	1 Sergei Bobrovsky
2 Nick Foligno	2 Brandon Dubinsky	2 Oliver Bjorkstrand	2 Zach Werenski	7 Markus Nutivaara	2 Joonas Korpisalo
3 Sonny Milano	3 Boone Jenner	3 Josh Anderson	3 David Savard	8 Scott Harrington	3 Matiss Kivlenieks
4 Matt Calvert	4 Lukas Sedlak	4 Jordan Schroeder	4 Jack Johnson	9 Cameron Gaunce	
5 Markus Hannikainen	5 Pierre-Luc Dubois	5 Vitaly Abramov	5 Ryan Murray	10 Andre Benoit	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Brandon Saad, LW; Sam Gagner, RW; Scott Hartnell, LW; William Karlsson, C; Kyle Quincey, D; Anton Forsberg, G; David Clarkson, RW

PIERRE-LUC **DUBOIS**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. PIERRE-LUC DUBOIS, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Blainville-Boisbriand (QMJHL)
Spent his first full season at center, Dubois may still end up a left winger for Columbus.
ACQUIRED 3rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. OLIVER BJORKSTRAND, RW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Cleveland (AHL)
A new workout program is aimed to help him compete physically at the next level.
ACQUIRED 89th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

3. VITALY ABRAMOV, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Gatineau (QMJHL)
The 'Meteor Man' is fast and efficient. His aggressive play makes up for his small stature.
ACQUIRED 65th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. GABRIEL CARLSSON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Linkoping (Swe.)
Needs to add muscle to his lanky frame. He doesn't contribute much offensively.
ACQUIRED 29th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

5. SONNY MILANO, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Cleveland (AHL)
Good hands and quick, he's a hit-or-miss project. Needs to learn to play without the puck.
ACQUIRED 16th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

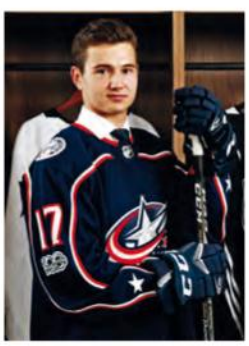
6. TYLER MOTTE, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Rockford (AHL)
Made Blackhawks out of training camp last fall. Plays a mature, two-way game.
ACQUIRED From Chi, June 2017 **NHL** '18-19

7. ANDREW PEEKE, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Notre Dame (HE)
Not much to talk about offensively, but his 6-foot-2, 200-pound frame has upside on 'D.'
ACQUIRED 34th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

8. PAUL BITTNER, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Cleveland (AHL)
At 6-foot-5 and 205 pounds, Bittner needs to kick the injury bug and get more playing time.
ACQUIRED 38th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. ALEXANDRE TEXIER, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Grenoble (Fra.)
Needs to round out his game while still capitalizing on his speed and playmaking talent.
ACQUIRED 45th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

10. CALVIN THURKAUF, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Kelowna (WHL)
Showed vast improvement in final junior season. Was a leader for the Swiss at WJC.
ACQUIRED 185th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

ALEXANDRE TEXIER

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
45th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Grenoble

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
David Perron

SCOUTING REPORT
As a teenager excelling in France's top league, Texier is a rarity. He has good speed and playmaking ability, but must round out his game. Playing major junior for Baie-Comeau (QMJHL) will help.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Sergei Bobrovsky	9/20/88	Columbus	63	41	17	5	2.06	.931
Novokuznetsk, Russia		*6-2, 182*	*Trade: Phi 6/22/12*					
Matiss Kivlenieks	8/26/96	Sioux City (USHL)	49	36	7	0	1.85	.932
Riga, Latvia		*6-2, 184*	*Free Agent: signed 5/27/17*					
Joonas Korpisalo	4/28/94	Cleveland (AHL)	16	7	6	3	2.69	.907
Pori, Finland		*6-3, 190*	*Draft: 62nd overall ('12)*					
Elvis Merzlikins	4/13/94	Lugano (Swi)	40	19	17	1	2.89	.916
Riga, Latvia		*6-3, 183*	*Draft: 76th overall ('14)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andre Benoit	1/6/84	Malmo (Swe)	52	6	18	24	22
St. Albert, Ont.		*5-11, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Gabriel Carlsson	1/2/97	Linkoping (Swe)	40	2	2	4	6
Orebro, Sweden		*6-4, 191*	*Draft: 29th overall ('15)*				
Ryan Collins	5/6/96	Minnesota (Big10)	37	3	6	9	28
Bloomington, Minn.		*6-5, 216*	*Draft: 47th overall ('14)*				
Cameron Gaunce	3/19/90	WB/Scranton (AHL)	49	2	11	13	38
Sudbury, Ont.		*6-1, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Scott Harrington	3/10/93	Columbus	22	1	2	3	10
Kingston, Ont.		*6-2, 219*	*Trade: Tor 6/25/16*				
Jack Johnson	1/13/87	Columbus	82	5	18	23	32
Indianapolis, Ind.		*6-1, 226*	*Trade: LA 2/23/12*				
Seth Jones	10/3/94	Columbus	75	12	30	42	24
Arlington, Texas		*6-4, 220*	*Trade: Nsh 1/6/16*				
Dean Kukan	7/8/93	Cleveland (AHL)	72	4	25	29	43
Volketswil, Switzerland		*6-2, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 6/1/15*				
Ryan Murray	9/27/93	Columbus	60	2	9	11	24
Regina, Sask.		*6-1, 211*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('12)*				
Markus Nutivaara	6/6/94	Columbus	66	2	5	7	6
Oulu, Finland		*6-1, 186*	*Draft: 189th overall ('15)*				
Andrew Peeke	3/17/98	Notre Dame (HE)	40	4	10	14	16
Parkland, Fla.		*6-3, 198*	*Draft: 34th overall ('16)*				
John Ramage	2/7/91	Cleveland (AHL)	69	4	21	25	67
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/15*				
David Savard	10/22/90	Columbus	74	6	17	23	44
St. Hyacinthe, Que.		*6-2, 227*	*Draft: 94th overall ('09)*				
Blake Siebenaler	2/27/96	Cleveland (AHL)	43	3	3	6	10
Toledo, Ohio		*6-1, 208*	*Draft: 77th overall ('14)*				
Zach Werenski	7/19/97	Columbus	78	11	36	47	14
Grosse Pointe, Mich.		*6-2, 218*	*Draft: 8th overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Alex Broadhurst	3/7/93	Cleveland (AHL)	52	11	14	25	23
New Lenox, Ill.		*6-0, 193*	*Trade: Chi 6/30/15*				
Brandon Dubinsky	4/29/86	Columbus	80	12	29	41	91
Anchorage, Alaska		*6-2, 218*	*Trade: NYR 7/23/12*				
Pierre-Luc Dubois	6/24/98	CB/BLB (QMJHL)	48	21	34	55	78
Ste-Agathe-des-Monts, Que.		*6-3, 209*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('16)*				
Jordan Schroeder	9/29/90	Minnesota	37	6	7	13	0
Lakeville, Minn.		*5-9, 184*	*Trade: Min 6/23/17*				
Justin Scott	8/13/95	Cleveland (AHL)	58	13	10	23	55
Burlington, Ont.		*6-1, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 4/15/16*				
Lukas Sedlak	2/25/93	Columbus	62	7	6	13	25
Ceske Budejovice, Czech.		*6-0, 203*	*Draft: 158th overall ('11)*				
Alexandre Texier	9/13/99	Grenoble (Fra)	40	10	9	19	69
St. Martin D'Heres, France		*6-0, 187*	*Draft: 45th overall ('17)*				
Calvin Thurkauf	6/27/97	Kelowna (WHL)	60	33	37	70	87
Zug, Switzerland		*6-1, 204*	*Draft: 185th overall ('16)*				
Sam Vigneault	9/7/95	Clarkson (ECAC)	39	12	24	36	41
Baie-Comeau, Que.		*6-5, 203*	*Free Agent: signed 3/16/17*				
Alexander Wennberg	9/22/94	Columbus	80	13	46	59	21
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 14th overall ('13)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Paul Bittner	11/4/96	Cleveland (AHL)	31	0	3	3	10
Crookston, Minn.		*6-4, 214*	*Draft: 38th overall ('15)*				
Matt Calvert	12/24/89	Columbus	65	10	5	15	48
Brandon, Man.		*5-11, 188*	*Draft: 127th overall ('08)*				
Markus Hannikainen	3/26/93	Cleveland (AHL)	57	19	18	37	22
Helsinki, Finland		*6-2, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 4/20/15*				
Boone Jenner	6/15/93	Columbus	82	18	16	34	52
Dorchester, Ont.		*6-2, 216*	*Draft: 37th overall ('11)*				
Sonny Milano	5/12/96	Cleveland (AHL)	63	18	29	47	24
Massapequa, N.Y.		*6-2, 197*	*Draft: 16th overall ('14)*				
Tyler Motte	3/10/95	Chicago	33	4	3	7	14
St. Clair, Mich.		*5-9, 188*	*Trade: Chi 6/23/17*				
Nick Moutrey	6/24/95	Cleveland (AHL)	61	8	9	17	42
Toronto, Ont.		*6-3, 218*	*Draft: 105th overall ('13)*				
Artemi Panarin	10/30/91	Chicago	82	31	43	74	21
Korkino, Russia		*5-11, 170*	*Trade: Chi 6/23/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Vitaly Abramov	5/8/98	Gatineau (QMJHL)	66	46	58	104	76
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*5-10, 181*	*Draft: 65th overall ('16)*				
Josh Anderson	5/7/94	Columbus	78	17	12	29	89
Burlington, Ont.		*6-3, 221*	*Draft: 95th overall ('12)*				
Cam Atkinson	6/5/89	Columbus	82	35	27	62	22
Riverside, Conn.		*5-8, 182*	*Draft: 157th overall ('08)*				
Oliver Bjorkstrand	4/10/95	Columbus	26	6	7	13	6
Herning, Denmark		*6-0, 175*	*Draft: 89th overall ('13)*				
Zac Dalpe	11/1/89	IA/Cle (AHL)	32	10	6	16	22
Paris, Ont.		*6-2, 199*	*Waivers: Min 2/27/17*				
Nick Foligno	10/31/87	Columbus	79	26	25	51	55
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-0, 205*	*Trade: Ott 7/1/12*				
Kole Sherwood	1/22/97	Flint (OHL)	60	33	52	85	60
Columbus, Ohio		*6-1, 201*	*Free Agent: signed 7/7/15*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
		EXTENDED STATS																TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
13	Cam Atkinson	82	35	27	62	13	22	10	3	9	240	14.6	38	21	2	1	66.7	2:32	1:33	18:05	5	2	1	3	-3	0
10	Alexander Wennberg	80	13	46	59	9	21	2	0	5	109	11.9	36	23	609	676	47.4	2:38	0:37	18:22	5	0	1	1	-3	2
20	Brandon Saad	82	24	29	53	23	8	1	0	4	210	11.4	50	3	4	5	44.4	1:34	0:29	17:01	5	1	2	3	-5	0
71	Nick Foligno	79	26	25	51	-4	55	11	0	5	185	14.1	30	21	41	48	46.1	2:41	0:35	18:25	4	0	2	2	-3	6
89	Sam Gagner	81	18	32	50	10	22	8	0	1	178	10.1	32	18	202	223	47.5	2:25	0:00	13:42	5	0	2	2	-3	2
8	*Zach Werenski	78	11	36	47	17	14	4	0	1	188	5.9	26	21	—	—	—	2:47	0:45	20:54	3	1	0	1	-2	0
3	Seth Jones	75	12	30	42	6	24	1	0	3	152	7.9	35	7	—	—	—	1:39	2:07	23:24	5	0	2	2	-4	0
17	Brandon Dubinsky	80	12	29	41	16	91	1	1	5	115	10.4	36	4	770	718	51.7	1:25	1:43	17:53	5	1	1	2	-2	6
43	Scott Hartnell	78	13	24	37	14	63	2	0	1	104	12.5	34	3	3	3	50.0	1:24	0:00	12:03	4	0	0	0	-2	0
38	Boone Jenner	82	18	16	34	14	52	0	2	4	211	8.5	31	1	92	92	50.0	1:08	0:51	16:03	5	2	1	3	-2	14
34	Josh Anderson	78	17	12	29	12	89	0	0	3	119	14.3	29	0	8	21	27.6	0:04	0:11	12:01	5	1	1	2	2	2
25	William Karlsson	81	6	19	25	10	10	1	0	3	96	6.3	22	1	435	525	45.3	0:12	1:37	13:23	5	2	1	3	4	0
58	David Savard	74	6	17	23	33	44	0	0	0	135	4.4	21	0	—	—	—	0:12	2:27	21:50	5	0	1	1	-4	4
7	Jack Johnson	82	5	18	23	23	32	1	0	1	116	4.3	20	2	1	0	100.0	0:14	2:25	21:49	5	1	1	2	-3	0
29	Lauri Korpikoski	69	8	12	20	5	10	0	0	0	108	7.4	19	0	0	7	0.0	0:16	1:20	12:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Dal	60	8	12	20	5	10	0	0	0	104	7.7	19	0	0	7	0.0	0:18	1:31	13:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
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11	Matt Calvert	65	10	5	15	-4	48	0	3	1	92	10.9	11	0	2	14	12.5	0:08	1:41	13:20	4	1	1	2	4	4
26	Kyle Quincey	73	6	9	15	4	51	0	0	0	79	7.6	15	0	—	—	—	0:15	1:49	17:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	53	4	8	12	4	39	0	0	0	61	6.6	12	0	—	—	—	0:21	1:51	18:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Clb	20	2	1	3	0	12	0	0	0	18	11.1	3	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:45	15:55	2	0	1	1	-1	2
45	*Lukas Sedlak	62	7	6	13	10	25	0	1	0	57	12.3	12	0	232	211	52.4	0:02	0:34	9:43	2	0	0	0	-1	0
28	*Oliver Bjorkstrand	26	6	7	13	4	6	0	0	2	55	10.9	13	0	1	0	100.0	1:41	0:00	14:05	5	0	1	1	-2	0
27	Ryan Murray	60	2	9	11	3	24	0	0	0	52	3.8	9	1	—	—	—	0:26	1:52	18:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
65	*Markus Nutivaara	66	2	5	7	7	6	0	0	0	66	3.0	7	0	—	—	—	0:10	0:01	13:12	2	1	1	2	3	0
54	Scott Harrington	22	1	2	3	3	10	0	0	0	16	6.3	3	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:18	13:00	3	0	0	0	0	10
33	*M. Hannikainen	10	1	1	2	0	6	0	0	0	8	12.5	2	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:41	9:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
53	*Gabriel Carlsson	2	0	1	1	-2	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:22	17:07	5	0	0	0	1	0
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70	Joonas Korpisalo	14	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
72	Sergei Bobrovsky	63	0	0	0	—	8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
72	Sergei Bobrovsky	63	3,707	2.06	41	17	5	5	7	127	1,854	.931	0	0	8	5	309	3.88	1	4	1	0	20	170	.882
35	Curtis McElhinney	7	376	2.39	2	1	2	0	0	15	198	.924	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
70	Joonas Korpisalo	14	791	2.88	7	5	1	3	1	38	401	.905	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	*Anton Forsberg	1	59	4.07	0	1	0	1	0	4	27	.852	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 . . . . . NYI
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at Chi
3. Tue. Oct. 10. . . . . at Car
4. Fri. Oct. 13. . . . . NYR
5. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . at Min
6. Tue. Oct. 17. . . . . at Wpg
7. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . TB
8. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . LA
9. Wed. Oct. 25 . . . . . Buf
10. Fri. Oct. 27 . . . . . Wpg
11. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at StL
12. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . Bos
13. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . at Fla
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . at TB
15. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . at NYR
16. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . Nsh
17. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . Car
18. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . at Det
19. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . at Mtl
20. Fri. Nov. 17 . . . . . NYR
21. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . . at Buf
22. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . Cgy
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . Ott
24. Mon. Nov. 27 . . . . . at Mtl
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . Car
26. Fri. Dec. 1. . . . . Ana
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Wsh
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . NJ
29. Fri. Dec. 8 . . . . . at NJ
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . Ari
31. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . Edm
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . NYI
33. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . at Car
34. Mon. Dec. 18. . . . . at Bos
35. Wed. Dec. 20. . . . . Tor
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . at Pit
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . Phi
38. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . at Pit
39. Fri. Dec. 29. . . . . at Ott
40. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . TB
41. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . at Dal
42. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Col
43. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . Fla
44. Mon. Jan. 8. . . . . at Tor
45. Thu. Jan. 11 . . . . . at Buf
46. Fri. Jan. 12. . . . . Van
47. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . Dal
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . at Veg
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Ari
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . Min
51. Fri. Feb. 2 . . . . . SJ
52. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . at NYI
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . Wsh
54. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at Wsh
55. Sat. Feb. 10. . . . . NJ
56. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . at NYI
57. Wed. Feb. 14 . . . . . at Tor
58. Fri. Feb. 16 . . . . . Phi
59. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . Pit
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . at NJ
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at Phi
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Chi
63. Mon. Feb. 26 . . . . . Wsh
64. Thu. Mar. 1. . . . . at LA
65. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . at Ana
66. Sun. Mar. 4 . . . . . at SJ
67. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . Veg
68. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . Col
69. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . Det
70. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . Mtl
71. Thu. Mar. 15. . . . . at Phi
72. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . Ott
73. Mon. Mar. 19 . . . . . at Bos
74. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . at NYR
75. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . Fla
76. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . StL
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . at Edm
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Cgy
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Van
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . Det
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Pit
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . at Nsh

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Dallas STARS

BY MIKE HEIKA

FACED WITH TOUGH decisions at several key positions, the Dallas Stars showed over and over in the off-season that they are dead set on winning now.

They brought back veteran coach Ken Hitchcock, who guided the franchise to its one and only Stanley Cup title in 1999 and who's most likely getting his last gig as a bench boss. They acquired 30-year-old goalie Ben Bishop to combine with 33-year-old Kari Lehtonen. They added impact forwards Alexander Radulov, 31, and Martin Hanzal, 30, as well as defensive defenseman Marc Methot, 32, to fill key holes.

The moves make a lot of sense on paper and should help the Stars improve some of the worst defensive numbers in the NHL. That's the bottom line for GM Jim Nill. He took over in 2013 vowing to make Dallas a consistent contender, and he has alternated playoff seasons with non-playoff seasons. He wants to start a long-term run. "One in, one out, that just doesn't work," he said. "I believe if you make the playoffs, anything can happen. We need to start making the playoffs every year."

OFFENSE Dallas starts with two of the best forwards in the NHL in Jamie Benn (third in the league over the past four seasons with 324 points) and Tyler Seguin (fifth with 306 points), so the offense should be fine. Adding right winger Radulov as a free agent will give Dallas one of the top lines in the league, but after that trio, depth is an issue.

Nill added center Hanzal to a team that already has Jason Spezza, so that could be an awkward situation that has to be worked out. Hanzal is best suited as a No. 3 center, so Spezza may well anchor the second line.

Among the younger players sprinkled throughout the lineup are Radek Faksa, Brett Ritchie, Mattias Janmark and Devin Shore,

SHOOTING STAR
Jamie Benn is still the top triggerman in 'Big D' but won't be tasked with quite the same burden as last season after GM Jim Nill bolstered the team's scoring depth.

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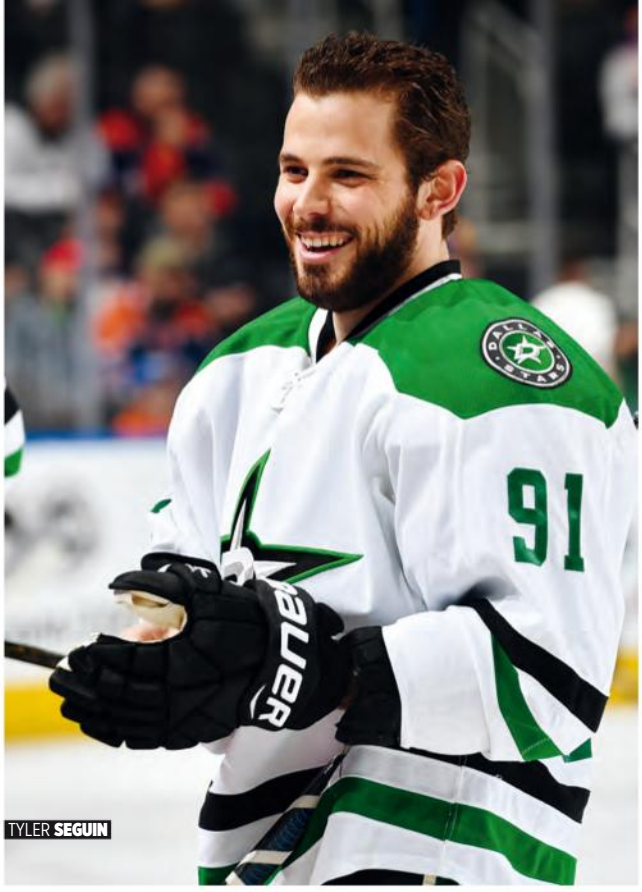

TYLER SEGUIN

all of whom have scored double-digit goals in a season. Hanzal and Radulov will help ease the burden on Seguin and Benn, but the forward group remains top-heavy, and contributions from secondary players will be essential for the Stars to contend.

DEFENSE The blueline was the undoing of last year's team, but it's a pretty talented group. Adding Methot as a solid left-handed defender should balance skilled righties John Klingberg and Julius Honka. Second-year lefty Esa Lindell had a solid rookie season and more is expected from him this year.

Veteran Dan Hamhuis is a solid depth defenseman, but after him the Stars have to sort out the logjam at the bottom with Stephen Johns, Jamie Oleksiak, Patrik Nemeth and Greg Pateryn. The Stars need to lose at least one, maybe even two. Running eight defensemen proved to be disastrous the past two seasons.

GOALTENDING Dallas jumped into the off-season by addressing its greatest need, acquiring Bishop and signing him to a six-year deal. Over the past five seasons, the 6-foot-7 stopper ranks seventh in goalie wins (141) with a 2.29 goals-against average and .920 save percentage. Lehtonen moves into a backup role but should be able to ease Bishop's workload. Dallas ranked last in save percentage last season at .893, and that should be greatly improved.

SPECIAL TEAMS Over the past four seasons, former coach Lindy Ruff's teams have ranked fifth in power play goals but 29th in shorthanded goals against. Some of Nill's off-season maneuvering was aimed at improving a PK that ranked 30th. The power play has the pieces to be good, and Hitchcock said he'll be doing a lot of the coaching there.

INTANGIBLES Hitchcock gets people on board quickly, and he's taking over a team that is motivated to win after last season's colossally disappointing playoff absence. The first month of the season could ultimately dictate whether the Stars flourish or falter.

ROOKIES All eyes will be on Honka. The 21-year-old was drafted 14th overall in 2014 and has already played nearly 200 AHL games. He should be ready for a regular role. Honka is a good skater and a slick playmaker, but he also has an edge to his game and doesn't mind being an agitator. He could have some growing pains or he could be running the No. 1 power play by Christmas.

X-FACTOR The usage of Spezza will be worth watching. Ruff tried him at right wing last year, but the veteran didn't respond well. If Hitchcock does the same thing this season and puts Hanzal at center, it could create some issues.

THE BRASS Nill enters his fifth season as GM and wants to win now. His long-term plans are in good shape, with a solid group of prospects in tow. But he made some big moves during the off-season and needs those moves to pay off immediately.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
34-37-11 (79 pts)

OT/SO
5-9/1-2

DIVISION
6th

OVERALL
24th

OFFENSE
2.71 GPG (16th)

DEFENSE
3.17 GAA (29th)

POWER PLAY
17.9% (20th)

PENALTY KILL
73.9% (30th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
49.62% (20th)

1-GOAL GAMES
17-8-11 (.625)

2-GOAL GAMES
7-12 (.368)

3+ GOAL GAMES
10-17 (.370)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Jamie Benn (19:22)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
John Klingberg (23:21)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jim Nill

COACH
Ken Hitchcock

ARENA
American Airlines Center

CAPACITY
18,532

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,102 (16th)

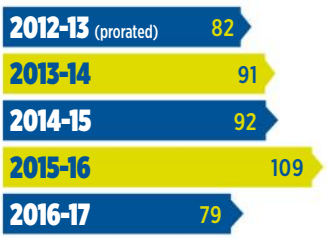
AHL AFFILIATE
Texas Stars

ECHL AFFILIATE
Idaho Steelheads

PLAYOFF RECORD
9-10 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Jamie Benn
2 Antoine Roussel
3 Devin Shore
4 Mattias Janmark
5 Curtis McKenzie

CENTER
1 Tyler Seguin
2 Jason Spezza
3 Martin Hanzal
4 Radek Faksa
5 Jason Dickinson

RIGHT WING
1 Alexander Radulov
2 Brett Ritchie
3 Brian Flynn
4 Tyler Pitlick
5 Adam Cracknell

DEFENSE
1 John Klingberg
2 Marc Methot
3 Dan Hamhuis
4 Esa Lindell
5 Julius Honka
6 Stephen Johns
7 Jamie Oleksiak
8 Patrik Nemeth
9 Greg Pateryn
10 Gavin Bayreuther

GOALIE
1 Ben Bishop
2 Kari Lehtonen
3 Mike McKenna

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Patrick Sharp, LW; Cody Eakin, C; Jiri Hudler, RW; Ales Hemsky, RW; Antti Niemi, G

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JULIUS **HONKA**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. MIRO HEISKANEN, D

AGE 18 **TEAM** HIFK (Fin.)

A smooth, puck-moving blueliner who can produce offense and get his nose dirty.

ACQUIRED 3rd overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

2. JULIUS HONKA, D

AGE 21 **TEAM** Texas (AHL)

A risk-taking, right-handed rearguard who already has three seasons of AHL experience.

ACQUIRED 14th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

3. VALERI NICHUSHKIN, RW

AGE 22 **TEAM** CSKA Moscow (KHL)

Returns to prospect status after move to KHL to work on defensive skills. Will be back in a year.

ACQUIRED 10th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

4. DENIS GURIANOV, RW

AGE 20 **TEAM** Texas (AHL)

Rebounded from poor 2015-16 in KHL with solid and promising rookie AHL season.

ACQUIRED 12th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

5. RILEY TUFTE, LW

AGE 19 **TEAM** Minnesota-Duluth (NCHC)

Towering NCAA freshman will be leaned on more heavily in sophomore season.

ACQUIRED 25th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

6. JAKE OETTINGER, G

AGE 18 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)

Had brilliant freshman season with powerhouse NCAA program. Plays calm, cool and collected.

ACQUIRED 26th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

7. JASON DICKINSON, C

AGE 22 **TEAM** Texas (AHL)

Two-way forward saw big offensive dip in second AHL season. Best suited for energy line.

ACQUIRED 29th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

8. ROOPE HINTZ, LW

AGE 20 **TEAM** HIFK (Fin.)

Tall, creative winger with high energy had nice bounce-back season in terms of offense.

ACQUIRED 49th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. JASON ROBERTSON, RW

AGE 18 **TEAM** Kingston (OHL)

Gifted, natural goal-scorer who needs to work on his skating, especially his first step.

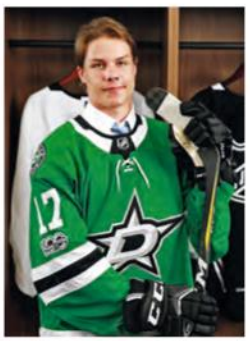
ACQUIRED 39th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

10. FREDRIK KARLSTROM, C

AGE 19 **TEAM** AIK (Swe.)

Smooth playmaker showed development skating in second-tier league. Needs next test.

ACQUIRED 90th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

MIRO HEISKANEN

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
3rd overall

2016-17 TEAM
HIFK

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Ryan McDonagh

SCOUTING REPORT

As if the Stars didn't have enough talented young blueliners, now they have Heiskanen, a smooth-skating specimen with plenty of skill and poise. He really stood out for Finland at the world juniors.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Ben Bishop	11/21/86	TB/LA	39	18	15	5	2.54	.910
Denver, Colo.		*6-7, 216*	*Trade: LA 5/9/17*					
Philippe Desrosiers	8/16/95	Idh/Nfk (ECHL)	33	13	14	0	3.76	.899
Saint-Hyacinthe, Que.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 54th overall ('13)*					
Kari Lehtonen	11/16/83	Dallas	59	22	25	7	2.85	.902
Helsinki, Finland		*6-4, 190*	*Trade: Atl 2/9/10*					
Mike McKenna	4/11/83	Spg/Syr (AHL)	40	14	15	10	2.84	.905
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-2, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Jake Oettinger	12/18/98	Boston U. (HE)	35	21	11	3	2.11	.927
Lakeville, Minn.		*6-4, 212*	*Draft: 26th overall ('17)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Gavin Bayreuther	5/12/94	St. Lawrence (ECAC)	30	8	21	29	24
Canaan, Mass.		*6-1, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 3/15/17*				
Ludwig Bystrom	7/20/94	Texas (AHL)	55	2	14	16	20
Ornskoldsvik, Sweden		*6-1, 175*	*Draft: 43rd overall ('12)*				
Dan Hamhuis	12/13/82	Dallas	79	1	15	16	23
Smithers, B.C.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Niklas Hansson	1/8/95	HV 71 (Swe)	46	1	10	11	12
Helsingborg, Sweden		*6-1, 180*	*Draft: 68th overall ('13)*				
Dillon Heatherington	5/9/95	Cle/Tex (AHL)	60	3	11	14	51
Calgary, Alta.		*6-4, 215*	*Trade: Clb 3/1/17*				
Miro Heiskanen	7/18/99	HIFK (Fin)	37	5	5	10	4
Espoo, Finland		*6-0, 170*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('17)*				
Julius Honka	12/3/95	Texas (AHL)	50	7	24	31	59
Jyvaskyla, Finland		*5-11, 195*	*Draft: 14th overall ('14)*				
Stephen Johns	4/18/92	Dallas	61	4	6	10	36
Ellwood City, Pa.		*6-4, 230*	*Trade: Chi 7/10/15*				
John Klingberg	8/14/92	Dallas	80	13	36	49	34
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-2, 180*	*Draft: 131st overall ('10)*				
Esa Lindell	5/23/94	Dallas	73	6	12	18	22
Vantaa, Finland		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 74th overall ('12)*				
Chris Martenet	9/25/96	Lon/Ott (OHL)	55	5	11	16	60
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-7, 215*	*Draft: 103rd overall ('15)*				
Marc Methot	6/21/85	Ottawa	68	0	12	12	24
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-3, 220*	*Trade: VGK 6/26/17*				
Patrik Nemeth	2/8/92	Dallas	40	0	3	3	14
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 41st overall ('10)*				
Jamie Oleksiak	12/21/92	Dallas	41	5	2	7	37
Toronto, Ont.		*6-7, 255*	*Draft: 14th overall ('11)*				
Greg Pateryn	6/20/90	Mtl/Dal	36	1	8	9	10
Sterling Heights, Mich.		*6-3, 221*	*Trade: Mtl 2/27/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Justin Dowling	10/1/90	Texas (AHL)	49	8	20	28	8
Calgary, Alta.		*5-10, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 3/26/14*				
Radek Faksa	1/9/94	Dallas	80	12	21	33	67
Vitkov, Czech.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 13th overall ('12)*				
Martin Hanzal	2/20/87	Ari/Min	71	20	19	39	53
Pisek, Czech.		*6-6, 226*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Fredrik Karlstrom	1/12/98	AIK (Swe2)	45	9	15	24	4
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-2, 185*	*Draft: 90th overall ('16)*				
Tyler Seguin	1/31/92	Dallas	82	26	46	72	22
Brampton, Ont.		*6-1, 200*	*Trade: Bos 7/4/13*				
Devin Shore	7/19/94	Dallas	82	13	20	33	14
Ajax, Ont.		*6-1, 205*	*Draft: 61st overall ('12)*				
Gemel Smith	4/16/94	Texas (AHL)	53	12	21	33	44
Toronto, Ont.		*5-10, 190*	*Draft: 104th overall ('12)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jamie Benn	7/18/89	Dallas	77	26	43	69	66
Victoria, B.C.		*6-2, 210*	*Draft: 129th overall ('07)*				
Jason Dickinson	7/4/95	Texas (AHL)	58	9	21	30	41
Georgetown, Ont.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 29th overall ('13)*				
Remi Elie	4/16/95	Texas (AHL)	53	9	19	28	37
Cornwall, Ont.		*6-1, 210*	*Draft: 40th overall ('13)*				
Brian Flynn	7/26/88	Montreal	51	6	4	10	4
Lynnfield, Mass.		*6-1, 183*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Roope Hintz	11/17/96	HIFK (Fin)	44	19	11	30	18
Tampere, Finland		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 49th overall ('15)*				
Mattias Janmark	12/8/92	Dallas	Did Not Play - Injured				
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 195*	*Trade: Det 3/1/15*				
Curtis McKenzie	2/22/91	Dallas	53	6	10	16	72
Golden, B.C.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 159th overall ('09)*				
Jason Robertson	7/22/99	Kingston (OHL)	68	42	39	81	29
Arcadia, Calif.		*6-2, 192*	*Draft: 39th overall ('17)*				
Antoine Roussel	11/21/89	Dallas	60	12	15	27	115
Roubaix, France		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/12*				
Riley Tufte	4/10/98	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	37	9	7	16	26
Coon Rapids, Minn.		*6-6, 210*	*Draft: 25th overall ('16)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Adam Cracknell	7/15/85	Dallas	69	10	6	16	12
Prince Albert, Sask.		*6-3, 220*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/16*				
Denis Gurianov	6/7/97	Texas (AHL)	57	12	15	27	17
Togliatti, Russia		*6-3, 200*	*Draft: 12th overall ('15)*				
Valeri Nichushkin	3/4/95	CSKA Moscow (KHL)	36	11	13	24	9
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*6-4, 205*	*Draft: 10th overall ('13)*				
Tyler Pitlick	11/1/91	Edmonton	31	8	3	11	6
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-2, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Alexander Radulov	7/5/86	Montreal	76	18	36	54	62
Nizhny Tagil, Russia		*6-2, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*				
Brett Ritchie	7/1/93	Dallas	78	16	8	24	38
Orangeville, Ont.		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 44th overall ('11)*				
Jason Spezza	6/13/83	Dallas	68	15	35	50	29
Toronto, Ont.		*6-3, 210*	*Trade: Ott 7/1/14*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
91	Tyler Seguin	82	26	46	72	-15	22	11	0	4	301	8.6	43	29	401	385	51.0	3:10	0:01	18:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Jamie Benn	77	26	43	69	-9	66	12	1	4	201	12.9	42	26	212	200	51.5	3:06	1:27	19:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
90	Jason Spezza	68	15	35	50	-18	29	2	1	4	149	10.1	30	19	354	324	52.2	2:40	0:16	16:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	John Klingberg	80	13	36	49	2	34	4	0	3	124	10.5	32	17	1	0	100.0	3:10	0:13	23:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	*Devin Shore	82	13	20	33	-4	14	1	0	0	115	11.3	27	6	221	249	47.0	1:50	0:09	14:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Radek Faksa	80	12	21	33	-6	67	0	0	0	132	9.1	31	2	590	632	48.3	0:32	1:57	16:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Antoine Roussel	60	12	15	27	1	115	0	0	3	82	14.6	24	3	7	9	43.8	1:09	1:58	15:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Brett Ritchie	78	16	8	24	11	38	1	0	2	167	9.6	22	2	1	1	50.0	1:34	0:00	12:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Patrick Sharp	48	8	10	18	-22	31	1	1	0	146	5.5	16	1	29	32	47.5	2:05	0:16	15:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	*Esa Lindell	73	6	12	18	8	22	0	0	2	99	6.1	16	2	0	1	0.0	1:02	2:01	21:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Adam Cracknell	69	10	6	16	9	12	0	1	2	87	11.5	15	0	135	160	45.8	0:06	0:31	10:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Curtis McKenzie	53	6	10	16	5	72	0	0	3	66	9.1	16	0	3	3	50.0	0:03	0:59	10:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Dan Hamhuis	79	1	15	16	-7	23	1	0	0	83	1.2	13	1	—	—	—	1:34	2:01	19:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Cody Eakin	60	3	9	12	-7	49	0	0	1	82	3.7	10	2	524	477	52.3	1:09	1:42	16:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Jiri Hudler	32	3	8	11	-3	4	1	0	1	27	11.1	10	1	3	2	60.0	2:03	0:00	11:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	*Stephen Johns	61	4	6	10	-10	36	0	0	1	91	4.4	9	1	—	—	—	0:16	2:02	18:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Greg Pateryn	36	1	8	9	-1	10	0	0	0	42	2.4	9	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:41	15:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	24	1	5	6	1	4	0	0	0	28	3.6	6	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:38	14:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Dal	12	0	3	3	-2	6	0	0	0	14	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:46	17:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Jamie Oleksiak	41	5	2	7	-4	37	0	0	1	33	15.2	6	0	—	—	—	0:07	1:13	16:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	Ales Hemsky	15	4	3	7	-1	0	1	0	0	30	13.3	5	2	—	—	—	1:32	0:05	14:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Remi Elie	18	1	6	7	5	8	0	0	0	15	6.7	7	0	1	0	100.0	0:03	1:03	15:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	*Gemel Smith	17	3	3	6	-1	21	0	1	0	19	15.8	5	0	25	34	42.4	0:04	1:16	13:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	*Julius Honka	16	1	4	5	-4	4	0	0	1	34	2.9	4	1	—	—	—	1:23	0:00	16:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Patrik Nemeth	40	0	3	3	-4	14	0	0	0	46	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:02	1:01	15:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	*Jason Dickinson	10	2	0	2	-3	0	0	0	0	9	22.2	2	0	4	9	30.8	0:00	0:04	11:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	*Justin Dowling	9	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	11	0.0	1	1	38	31	55.1	0:05	0:06	10:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Kari Lehtonen	59	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	*Denis Gurianov	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	13:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	*Mark McNeill	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0:00	0:00	13:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Antti Niemi	37	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
32	Kari Lehtonen	59	3,177	2.85	22	25	7	10	3	151	1,546	.902	0	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Antti Niemi	37	1,729	3.30	12	12	4	4	0	95	880	.892	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 . . . . . Veg
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at StL
3. Tue. Oct. 10. . . . . Det
4. Thu. Oct. 12. . . . . at Nsh
5. Sat. Oct. 14. . . . . Col
6. Tue. Oct. 17. . . . . Ari
7. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . at Ari
8. Sat. Oct. 21. . . . . Car
9. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Col
10. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . at Edm
11. Fri. Oct. 27 . . . . . at Cgy
12. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . at Van
13. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . at Wpg
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Buf
15. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . Wpg
16. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . NYI
17. Mon. Nov. 13. . . . . at Car
18. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . at Fla
19. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . at TB
20. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . Edm
21. Tue. Nov. 21 . . . . . Mtl
22. Wed. Nov. 22. . . . . at Col
23. Fri. Nov. 24. . . . . Cgy
24. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . at Veg
25. Thu. Nov. 30. . . . . at Chi
26. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . Chi
27. Sun. Dec. 3. . . . . at Col
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . Nsh
29. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . at StL
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . Veg
31. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . at NYR
32. Wed. Dec. 13 . . . . . at NYI
33. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . at NJ
34. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . at Phi
35. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . Wsh
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . Chi
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . Nsh
38. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . at Min
39. Fri. Dec. 29. . . . . StL
40. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . SJ
41. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . Clb
42. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . NJ
43. Sat. Jan. 6. . . . . Edm
44. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . Col
45. Mon. Jan. 15 . . . . . at Bos
46. Tue. Jan. 16. . . . . at Det
47. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . at Clb
48. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . at Buf
49. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . Fla
50. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Tor
51. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . LA
52. Thu. Feb. 1. . . . . at Ari
53. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . Min
54. Mon. Feb. 5 . . . . . NYR
55. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . at Chi
56. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . Pit
57. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . Van
58. Fri. Feb. 16 . . . . . StL
59. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . at SJ
60. Wed. Feb. 21 . . . . at Ana
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at LA
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Wpg
63. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . Cgy
64. Thu. Mar. 1. . . . . TB
65. Sat. Mar. 3. . . . . StL
66. Mon. Mar. 5. . . . . Ott
67. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . at Nsh
68. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . Ana
69. Sun. Mar. 11 . . . . . at Pit
70. Tue. Mar. 13. . . . . at Mtl
71. Wed. Mar. 14. . . . . at Tor
72. Fri. Mar. 16. . . . . at Ott
73. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . at Wpg
74. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . at Wsh
75. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . Bos
76. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . Van
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . Phi
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Min
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . Min
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . at SJ
81. Fri. Apr. 6 . . . . . at Ana
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . at LA

JOHN **KLINGBERG**

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Detroit RED WINGS

BY BOB DUFF

AS THEY CLOSED Joe Louis Arena last season, the New Jersey Devils seemed an odd choice for the Red Wings' farewell opponent, but in retrospect, perhaps it was the perfect metaphor of what lies ahead for Detroit.

Like the Devils, the Wings were once a powerhouse envied by all for their Stanley Cup success. But the Devils entered a downward spiral and haven't made the playoffs since 2012, a fate that could be in store for the Wings. Missing the post-season in 2016-17 for the first time since 1989-90, Detroit might have to get used to being outsiders for the immediate future. Entering the state-of-the-art Little Caesars Arena, the Wings are a team in a state of decay. With so many holes to fill, any thought of them making a quick rebound back into the playoff picture would appear to be pure folly.

OFFENSE Everywhere you looked, Detroit's forwards endured a drop-off. Rookie sensation Dylan Larkin slumped from 23 goals to 17, Gustav Nyquist dipped from 17 to 12, Justin Abdelkader fell from 19 to seven, Frans Nielsen from 20 to 17 and Luke Glendening from eight to three. After a career-high 14 goals in 2015-16, Riley Sheahan didn't score until the last game of the season.

Among the few bright spots was a second-half surge by Tomas Tatar that resulted in 25 goals, while captain Henrik Zetterberg led the team with 51 points. The speedy Andreas Athanasiou (18 goals) and 2013 first-round pick Anthony Mantha (17 goals) provided hope for the future. Mike Green, with 14 goals and 36 points, was the only defenseman with more than 13 points.

DEFENSE Free agent addition Trevor Daley's 19 points with Pittsburgh would've ranked him second among Detroit's rearguards in scoring. This is a plodding bunch lacking a legitimate top pairing.

GUSTAV **NYQUIST**

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
33-36-13 (79 pts)

OT/SO
7-13/9-0

DIVISION
7th

OVERALL
25th

OFFENSE
2.41 GPG (26th)

DEFENSE
2.98 GAA (26th)

POWER PLAY
15.1% (27th)

PENALTY KILL
80.8% (16th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
47.67% (25th)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-12-13 (.589)

2-GOAL GAMES
6-9 (.400)

3+ GOAL GAMES
7-15 (.318)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
H. Zetterberg (19:43)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Mike Green (23:33)

FAST FACTS

GM
Ken Holland

COACH
Jeff Blashill

ARENA
Little Caesars Arena

CAPACITY
20,000

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
20,027 (3rd)

AHL AFFILIATE
Grand Rapids Griffins

ECHL AFFILIATE
Toledo Walleye

PLAYOFF RECORD
12-19 (since 2013)

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They don't make good first passes, generally can't skate the puck out of trouble and struggle to clear the defensive zone.

Chronic knee issues have crippled Niklas Kronwall, and Jonathan Ericsson is more big lug than his nickname of 'Big Rig.' An injection of youth brought in Xavier Ouellet, Nick Jensen and Ryan Sproul, but none of them made a significant impact. And there's no immediate help on the horizon. Luke Witkowski was added as a UFA for his toughness more than his defensive acumen.

GOALTENDING By the end of the 2015-16 season, Petr Mrazek had usurped Jimmy Howard as the No. 1 goalie, but a dismal season in which Mrazek didn't deliver statistically and proved to be an unsettling presence in the dressing room, with questions about his work ethic and commitment, cost him so much that Detroit left him unprotected in the Vegas expansion draft. Howard, mean-

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	96
2013-14	93
2014-15	100
2015-16	93
2016-17	79

INTANGIBLES Detroit likes to talk about the culture they've fostered, but there's definitely a transition underway in the dressing room as Zetterberg and Kronwall near the end of the line. The fact the Wings felt it necessary to bring in veteran Steve Ott last season as a dressing room presence doesn't bode well for the future leadership group and lent credence to speculation that cliques were forming within the team.

ROOKIES GM Ken Holland has stated that at least one or two players from Calder Cup-winning Grand Rapids will make the leap. The best bets are forwards Evgeny Svechnikov and Tyler Bertuzzi. Svechnikov could supply much-needed offense, while Bertuzzi is a bottom-six grinder.

X-FACTOR So many elements must come together for the Red Wings to have any hope at a playoff spot. Their core must stay healthy. Daley needs to be a home run, and Larkin has to rebound big-time from his sophomore slump. All told, it seems like way too much to ask of this team. A lottery draft pick is much more likely.

THE BRASS Holland and coach Jeff Blashill figure to be on short leashes. Holland is in the last year of his deal, while Blashill has two years remaining. The change in ownership structure with the death last year of Mike Ilitch could lead to more changes, with son Chris Ilitch looking to put his own mark on the team.

while, enjoyed a renaissance season, posting a 2.10 goals-against average and .927 save percentage, but injuries limited him to 26 games. Prospect Jared Coreau remains a work in progress.

SPECIAL TEAMS In 2015-16, Detroit's power play was a weapon that helped disguise many of the flaws emerging in this team. That wasn't the case last season, as the power play tumbled, along with the team's fortunes. The Wings went nearly three months from October to January without scoring a power play goal on the road. Detroit's penalty killing was also inconsistent, finishing 16th.

TREND ZETTER
A relic of Detroit's bygone glory years, captain Henrik Zetterberg's honest two-way game and unrivaled work ethic serve as the model for apprenticing Red Wings.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Dylan Larkin
2 Tomas Tatar
3 Andreas Athanasiou
4 Tyler Bertuzzi
5 Matt Lorito

CENTER
1 Henrik Zetterberg
2 Frans Nielsen
3 Riley Sheahan
4 Luke Glendening
5 Ben Street

RIGHT WING
1 Anthony Mantha
2 Gustav Nyquist
3 Justin Abdelkader
4 Darren Helm
5 Evgeny Svechnikov

DEFENSE
1 Danny DeKeyser
2 Mike Green
3 Trevor Daley
4 Niklas Kronwall
5 Xavier Ouellet
6 Nick Jensen
7 Jonathan Ericsson
8 Ryan Sproul
9 Luke Witkowski
10 Robbie Russo

GOALIE
1 Jimmy Howard
2 Petr Mrazek
3 Jared Coreau

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES None

EVGENY **SVECHNIKOV**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. EVGENY SVECHNIKOV, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Grand Rapids (AHL)
A goal-scorer with pass-first mentality and willingness to learn and put in the extra work.
ACQUIRED 19th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

2. MICHAEL RASMUSSEN, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Tri-City (WHL)
At 6-foot-5, the big pivot has a good reach and he's adept at using his size around the net.
ACQUIRED 9th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

3. DENNIS CHOLOWSKI, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** St. Cloud State (NCHC)
Elite skater with outstanding hockey sense, he left college after just one season.
ACQUIRED 20th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. GIVANI SMITH, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Guelph (OHL)
Strong-skating power forward who is trying to cut down on unnecessary penalties.
ACQUIRED 46th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

5. TYLER BERTUZZI, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Grand Rapids (AHL)
His style of play has been compared to that of Steve Ott, rather than his infamous uncle.
ACQUIRED 58th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

6. GUSTAV LINDSTROM, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Almtuna Jr. (Swe.)
Slowed down offensively in 2016-17, but still produced at point-per-game pace in playoffs.
ACQUIRED 38th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

7. JARED COREAU, G
AGE 25 **TEAM** Grand Rapids (AHL)
Started out well during 14-game NHL trial last season before having a few bad outings.
ACQUIRED Free agent, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

8. VILI SAARIJARVI, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Mississauga (OHL)
Slowed by off-season wrist surgery, he needs to add muscle to make up for slight stature.
ACQUIRED 73rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. FILIP HRONEK, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Saginaw (OHL)
Skilled point-producer has excellent vision and patience, but will need to bulk up for next level.
ACQUIRED 53rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

10. AXEL HOLMSTROM, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Skelleftea (Swe.)
Intelligent player holds on to the puck well down low and isn't afraid to get involved.
ACQUIRED 196th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

MICHAEL RASMUSSEN

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
9th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Tri-City

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
James van Riemsdyk

SCOUTING REPORT
Wrist surgery torpedoed Rasmussen's second half, but he did show well at the CHL Top Prospects Game before that. A titan at 6-foot-5 and 221 pounds, the kid has great reach and touch around the net.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jared Coreau	11/5/91	Grand Rapids (AHL)	33	19	11	3	2.33	.917
Perth, Ont.		*6-4, 235*	*Free Agent: signed 4/3/13*					
Jimmy Howard	3/26/84	Detroit	26	10	11	1	2.10	.927
Syracuse, N.Y.		*6-1, 218*	*Draft: 64th overall ('03)*					
Matej Machovsky	7/25/93	Plzen (Cze)	46	21	25	0	2.27	.925
Opava, Czech.		*6-2, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 5/2/17*					
Tom McCollum	12/7/89	Stk/Cha (AHL)	18	12	2	4	2.08	.927
Amherst, N.Y.		*6-2, 226*	*Trade: Cgy 7/1/17*					
Petr Mrazek	2/14/92	Detroit	50	18	21	9	3.04	.901
Ostrava, Czech.		*6-2, 183*	*Draft: 141st overall ('10)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Dennis Cholowski	2/15/98	St. Cloud State (NCHC)	36	1	11	12	14
Langley, B.C.		*6-0, 170*	*Draft: 20th overall ('16)*				
Trevor Daley	10/9/83	Pittsburgh	56	5	14	19	37
Toronto, Ont.		*5-11, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Danny DeKeyser	3/7/90	Detroit	82	4	8	12	33
Detroit, Mich.		*6-3, 192*	*Free Agent: signed 3/29/13*				
Jonathan Ericsson	3/2/84	Detroit	51	1	8	9	63
Karlskrona, Sweden		*6-4, 220*	*Draft: 291st overall ('02)*				
Mike Green	10/12/85	Detroit	72	14	22	36	40
Calgary, Alta.		*6-1, 207*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Joe Hicketts	5/4/96	Grand Rapids (AHL)	73	7	27	34	40
Kamloops, B.C.		*5-8, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 9/24/14*				
Filip Hronek	11/2/97	Saginaw (OHL)	59	14	47	61	60
Hradec Kralove, Czech.		*6-0, 163*	*Draft: 53rd overall ('16)*				
Nick Jensen	9/21/90	Detroit	49	4	9	13	12
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-0, 196*	*Draft: 150th overall ('09)*				
Niklas Kronwall	1/12/81	Detroit	57	2	11	13	32
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 194*	*Draft: 29th overall ('00)*				
Gustav Lindstrom	10/20/98	Almtuna (Swe2)	48	2	7	9	26
Ostervala, Sweden		*6-2, 187*	*Draft: 38th overall ('17)*				
Dylan McIlrath	4/20/92	Hfd/Spg/GR (AHL)	43	1	7	8	81
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-5, 236*	*Trade: Fla 3/1/17*				
Xavier Ouellet	7/29/93	Detroit	66	3	9	12	51
Bayonne, France		*6-1, 208*	*Draft: 48th overall ('11)*				
Robbie Russo	2/15/93	Grand Rapids (AHL)	58	7	25	32	37
Westmont, Ill.		*6-0, 189*	*Free Agent: signed 8/16/15*				
Vili Saarijarvi	5/15/97	Mississauga (OHL)	34	11	20	31	14
Rovaniemi, Finland		*5-10, 163*	*Draft: 73rd overall ('15)*				
Ryan Sproul	1/13/93	Detroit	27	1	6	7	6
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-4, 211*	*Draft: 55th overall ('11)*				
Libor Sulak	3/4/94	Znojmo (Aut)	54	10	18	28	41
Pelhrimov, Czech.		*6-1, 169*	*Free Agent: signed 5/24/17*				
Luke Witkowski	4/14/90	Tampa Bay	34	0	4	4	39
Holland, Mich.		*6-2, 217*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Turner Elson	9/13/92	San Antonio (AHL)	13	1	2	3	12
New Westminster, B.C.		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Luke Glendening	4/28/89	Detroit	74	3	11	14	26
Grand Rapids, Mich.		*5-11, 199*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/13*				
Axel Holmstrom	6/29/96	Skelleftea (Swe)	16	1	1	2	0
Arvidsjaur, Sweden		*6-0, 198*	*Draft: 196th overall ('14)*				
Dylan Larkin	7/30/96	Detroit	80	17	15	32	37
Waterford, Mich.		*6-1, 190*	*Draft: 15th overall ('14)*				
Frans Nielsen	4/24/84	Detroit	79	17	24	41	18
Herning, Denmark		*6-1, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Michael Rasmussen	4/17/99	Tri-City (WHL)	50	32	23	55	50
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-6, 215*	*Draft: 9th overall ('17)*				
Riley Sheahan	12/7/91	Detroit	80	2	11	13	14
St. Catharines, Ont.		*6-3, 226*	*Draft: 21st overall ('10)*				
Ben Street	2/13/87	Grand Rapids (AHL)	62	25	30	55	16
Coquitlam, B.C.		*5-11, 199*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Henrik Zetterberg	10/9/80	Detroit	82	17	51	68	22
Njurunda, Sweden		*6-0, 197*	*Draft: 210th overall ('99)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andreas Athanasiou	8/6/94	Detroit	64	18	11	29	28
London, Ont.		*6-2, 188*	*Draft: 110th overall ('12)*				
Tyler Bertuzzi	2/24/95	Grand Rapids (AHL)	48	12	25	37	37
Sudbury, Ont.		*6-0, 198*	*Draft: 58th overall ('13)*				
Darren Helm	1/21/87	Detroit	50	8	9	17	20
St. Andrews, Man.		*6-0, 196*	*Draft: 132nd overall ('05)*				
Matt Lorito	7/3/90	Grand Rapids (AHL)	61	22	34	56	25
Oakville, Ont.		*5-9, 170*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Anthony Mantha	9/16/94	Detroit	60	17	19	36	53
Longueuil, Que.		*6-5, 221*	*Draft: 20th overall ('13)*				
Dylan Sadowy	4/2/96	Grand Rapids (AHL)	38	4	2	6	18
Brampton, Ont.		*6-1, 180*	*Trade: SJ 5/26/16*				
Eric Tangradi	2/10/89	Grand Rapids (AHL)	54	17	27	44	53
Philadelphia, Pa.		*6-4, 221*	*Free Agent: signed 7/8/15*				
Tomas Tatar	12/1/90	Detroit	82	25	21	46	26
Ilava, Slovakia		*5-10, 185*	*Draft: 60th overall ('09)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Justin Abdelkader	2/25/87	Detroit	64	7	14	21	50
Muskegon, Mich.		*6-2, 218*	*Draft: 42nd overall ('05)*				
Martin Frk	10/5/93	Grand Rapids (AHL)	65	27	23	50	58
Pelhrimov, Czech.		*6-1, 194*	*Waivers: Car 11/1/16*				
Gustav Nyquist	9/1/89	Detroit	76	12	36	48	18
Halmstad, Sweden		*5-11, 184*	*Draft: 121st overall ('08)*				
Givani Smith	2/27/98	Guelph (OHL)	64	26	18	44	139
Thornhill, Ont.		*6-2, 204*	*Draft: 46th overall ('16)*				
Evgeny Svechnikov	10/31/96	Grand Rapids (AHL)	74	20	31	51	62
Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk, Russia		*6-2, 199*	*Draft: 19th overall ('15)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

BOTH: JEFF VINNICK/NHLI VIA GETTY IMAGES

2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
40	Henrik Zetterberg	82	17	51	68	15	22	2	0	0	195	8.7	55	13	705	657	51.8	2:57	0:03	19:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Gustav Nyquist	76	12	36	48	0	18	2	0	2	165	7.3	39	9	4	1	80.0	2:49	0:01	17:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Tomas Tatar	82	25	21	46	-8	26	5	0	5	166	15.1	38	8	8	5	61.5	2:22	0:02	17:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Frans Nielsen	79	17	24	41	-19	18	4	2	0	162	10.5	24	15	653	561	53.8	2:24	1:55	17:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	*Anthony Mantha	60	17	19	36	10	53	1	0	3	133	12.8	33	3	5	6	45.5	1:53	0:02	15:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Mike Green	72	14	22	36	-20	40	3	0	2	125	11.2	26	10	—	—	—	2:44	0:35	23:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	Dylan Larkin	80	17	15	32	-28	37	5	1	1	178	9.6	24	7	196	236	45.4	1:52	0:20	16:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
72	Andreas Athanasiou	64	18	11	29	-7	28	1	0	3	120	15.0	25	4	37	46	44.6	1:12	0:31	13:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Justin Abdelkader	64	7	14	21	-20	50	5	0	1	104	6.7	13	7	5	12	29.4	2:19	1:12	16:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
43	Darren Helm	50	8	9	17	-6	20	2	0	1	98	8.2	12	4	216	204	51.4	0:50	1:38	15:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Luke Glendening	74	3	11	14	-10	26	0	0	0	76	3.9	13	1	307	261	54.0	0:05	2:16	12:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	*Nick Jensen	49	4	9	13	-7	12	0	0	0	59	6.8	12	0	—	—	—	0:04	1:31	17:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Niklas Kronwall	57	2	11	13	-7	32	0	0	0	67	3.0	7	6	—	—	—	2:28	1:00	19:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Riley Sheahan	80	2	11	13	-29	14	1	0	0	109	1.8	10	3	236	230	50.6	1:07	0:52	13:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
65	Danny DeKeyser	82	4	8	12	-22	33	0	0	2	85	4.7	12	0	—	—	—	0:33	2:40	21:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
61	*Xavier Ouellet	66	3	9	12	2	51	0	0	0	89	3.4	12	0	0	2	0.0	0:05	1:55	17:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
52	Jonathan Ericsson	51	1	8	9	-2	63	0	0	0	43	2.3	9	0	—	—	—	0:07	2:03	19:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Drew Miller	55	5	2	7	-12	18	0	0	1	43	11.6	7	0	2	1	66.7	0:03	1:22	10:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	*Ryan Sproul	27	1	6	7	-8	6	1	0	0	46	2.2	4	3	—	—	—	2:07	0:03	15:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
83	*Tomas Nosek	11	1	0	1	-1	2	0	0	0	19	5.3	1	0	37	31	54.4	0:02	0:12	10:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Matt Lorito	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	6	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:54	0:00	14:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Ben Street	6	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	8	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
77	*Dan Renouf	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	13:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	*Evgeny Svechnikov	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	13:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
57	*Mitch Callahan	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	6:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Brian Lashoff	5	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:44	12:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	*Tyler Bertuzzi	7	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	1	1	50.0	0:03	0:00	9:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	*Jared Coreau	14	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	*Robbie Russo	19	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	18	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:07	1:07	16:04	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Jimmy Howard	26	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Petr Mrazek	50	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON													2017 PLAYOFFS										
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
35	Jimmy Howard	26	1,397	2.10	10	11	1	2	1	49	675	.927	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Petr Mrazek	50	2,858	3.04	18	21	9	6	1	145	1,462	.901	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	*Jared Coreau	14	712	3.46	5	4	3	1	2	41	362	.887	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . Min
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at Ott
3. Tue. Oct. 10. . . . . at Dal
4. Thu. Oct. 12. . . . . at Ari
5. Fri. Oct. 13. . . . . at Veg
6. Mon. Oct. 16 . . . . . TB
7. Wed. Oct. 18. . . . . at Tor
8. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . Wsh
9. Sun. Oct. 22 . . . . . Van
10. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Buf
11. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at TB
12. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at Fla
13. Tue. Oct. 31. . . . . Ari
14. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . at Ott
15. Sun. Nov. 5 . . . . . at Edm
16. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . at Van
17. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . at Cgy
18. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . Clb
19. Wed. Nov. 15 . . . . . Cgy
20. Fri. Nov. 17 . . . . . Buf
21. Sun. Nov. 19 . . . . . Col
22. Wed. Nov. 22. . . . . Edm
23. Fri. Nov. 24. . . . . at NYR
24. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . NJ
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . LA
26. Thu. Nov. 30. . . . . Mtl
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Mtl
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . Wpg
29. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . StL
30. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . Fla
31. Wed. Dec. 13 . . . . . Bos
32. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . Tor
33. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at NYI
34. Wed. Dec. 20. . . . . at Phi
35. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at Bos
36. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . at NJ
37. Fri. Dec. 29. . . . . NYR
38. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . Pit
39. Wed. Jan. 3 . . . . . Ott
40. Fri. Jan. 5 . . . . . Fla
41. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . TB
42. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . at Pit
43. Sun. Jan. 14 . . . . . at Chi
44. Tue. Jan. 16. . . . . Dal
45. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . Car
46. Mon. Jan. 22. . . . . at NJ
47. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . Phi
48. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Chi
49. Wed. Jan. 31. . . . . SJ
50. Fri. Feb. 2 . . . . . at Car
51. Sat. Feb. 3. . . . . at Fla
52. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . Bos
53. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at NYI
54. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . at Wsh
55. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . Ana
56. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at TB
57. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . at Nsh
58. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . Tor
59. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . Nsh
60. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . Buf
61. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Car
62. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at NYR
63. Wed. Feb. 28 . . . . . at StL
64. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . at Wpg
65. Sun. Mar. 4 . . . . . at Min
66. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . at Bos
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . Veg
68. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . at Clb
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . at SJ
70. Thu. Mar. 15. . . . . at LA
71. Fri. Mar. 16. . . . . at Ana
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . at Col
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . Phi
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . Wsh
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at Tor
76. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . at Mtl
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . Pit
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Buf
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . Ott
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . at Clb
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Mtl
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . NYI

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Edmonton OILERS

BY ROBERT TYCHKOWSKI

AFTER A DECADE of misery, failure and lottery picks, the Oilers have emerged – at last – as a Stanley Cup contender. The painful 10-year rebuild finally showed significant progress, with Edmonton making the playoffs for the first time since 2006, finishing the season with 103 points and advancing to the second round.

At the heart of the resurrection, of course, is Connor McDavid, who scored 100 points in his sophomore season, capturing the Art Ross Trophy, Hart Trophy and Ted Lindsay Award. But a strong supporting cast also made a huge impact. Leon Draisaitl established himself as elite, Cam Talbot emerged as a top-tier workhorse goalie, Milan Lucic and Patrick Maroon combined for 50 goals and 463 pounds of much-needed muscle and a blueline that had long been a liability was transformed into a strength. As a result, a team that had been considered a laughingstock for 10 years is now a Cup candidate. The challenge for the Oilers will be not only duplicating a season in which everything went right, but improving on it.

OFFENSE Believe it or not, this might be an issue. Despite having a pair of dominant cornerstones, with McDavid leading the NHL in scoring and Draisaitl finishing eighth, there are still a lot of question marks about where the goals will come from.

Maroon had a career-high 27 goals, but can he duplicate a season in which he doubled his previous best? The cost-saving trade of Jordan Eberle for Ryan Strome represents a significant downgrade on paper (Eberle's career low for goals is better than Strome's career high). To what extent can the former Islanders building block pick up the slack? And there's a lot of youth being expected to contribute offensively – Anton Slepyshev, Jesse Puljujarvi and Drake Caggiula have combined for 140 NHL games. What will they be able to deliver?

LESS FOR MORE
Connor McDavid signed a long-term $100-million pact that will make him the NHL's highest-paid player, but he left money on the table to help Edmonton remain a contender.

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DEFENSE Oilers GM Peter Chiarelli shored up what had been a major issue in Edmonton, building a blueline that helped cut the team's goals against from to 27th to eighth. The trade that sent Taylor Hall to New Jersey for Adam Larsson was ridiculed at first, but Larsson was a godsend in his first season in Edmonton. He steadies his own end of the ice with a smart, calm and aggressive presence that the Oilers desperately needed.

Andrej Sekera and Kris Russell also deliver strong, steady minutes, while an injury-free Oscar Klefbom finally blossomed into the top-pairing defenseman the Oilers envisioned when they signed him to a seven-year contract in 2015. Sekera will be sidelined with a knee injury for the first chunk of the regular season, so the defense corps will have its depth tested.

GOALTENDING Talbot answered all doubts last season, playing a league-high 73 games while finishing in the top 10 among starting goalies in save percentage and goals-against average. Finding him some relief was an issue, and Edmonton hopes unproven Laurent Brossoit (14 NHL games) can lighten the load this year.

SPECIAL TEAMS The Oilers' power play contributed a great deal to their success, converting at a fifth-best rate last season (22.9 percent). Giving McDavid and Draisaitl a little extra time and space makes a huge difference and Mark Letestu's one-timer did serious damage. The penalty killing was merely average, and the Oilers lost two key PK forwards in Matt Hendricks and Benoit Pouliot.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
47-26-9 (103 pts)

OT/SO
6-4/4-5

DIVISION
2nd

OVERALL
8th

OFFENSE
2.96 GPG (8th)

DEFENSE
2.52 GAA (8th)

POWER PLAY
22.9% (5th)

PENALTY KILL
80.7% (17th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.36% (16th)

1-GOAL GAMES
21-8-9 (.671)

2-GOAL GAMES
9-11 (.450)

3+ GOAL GAMES
17-7 (.708)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Connor McDavid (21:07)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Oscar Klefbom (22:22)

FAST FACTS

GM
Peter Chiarelli

COACH
Todd McLellan

ARENA
Rogers Place

CAPACITY
18,641

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,347 (14th)

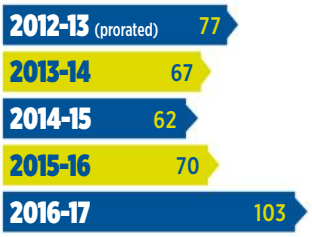
AHL AFFILIATE
Bakersfield Condors

ECHL AFFILIATE
Wichita Thunder

PLAYOFF RECORD
7-6 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES Chiarelli wanted a culture change in Edmonton and he got it. He's created a grittier team that is much more committed to playing the right way. They've gone from being weaklings in the Pacific Division to one of the biggest and toughest teams in the NHL. Last season provided a sense of confidence that had been missing for a decade. Are the Oilers back? You better believe it – because they certainly do.

ROOKIES Puljujarvi, a right winger with size and game-breaking potential, figures to be the only rookie to make the team this season. The Oilers want the fourth overall pick from the 2016 draft to play a top-six role, but that will be up to him. He had 28 points in 39 AHL games after an early-season demotion last year.

X-FACTOR Nobody on the top two lines or the top two defense pairings missed any significant time to injury last season. The goaltending was spectacular. A handful of players achieved personal bests. Basically, everything went right for the Oilers last year. Edmonton needs fate to smile on them again in 2017-18.

THE BRASS Chiarelli is not afraid to make a big move – as evidenced by the fact high draft picks Hall, Eberle and Nail Yakupov have all been traded away – while coach Todd McLellan has the team playing a more complete and responsible style. The result is an entirely new-look organization.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Patrick Maroon
2 Milan Lucic
3 Jussi Jokinen
4 Drake Caggiula
5 Anton Slepyshev

CENTER
1 Connor McDavid
2 Ryan Nugent-Hopkins
3 Ryan Strome
4 Mark Letestu
5 Brad Malone

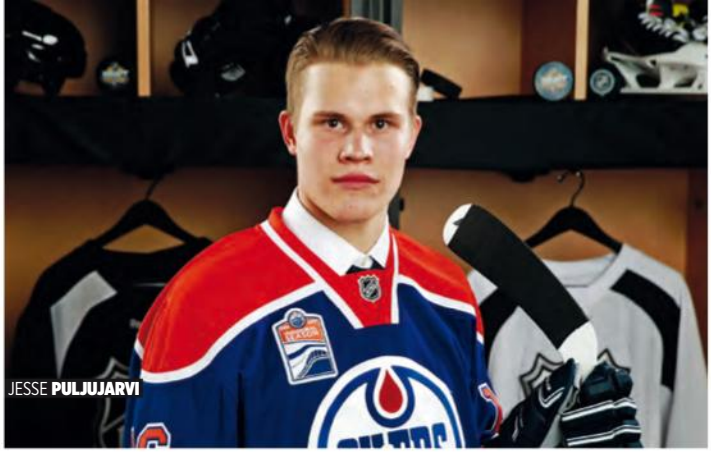
RIGHT WING
1 Leon Draisaitl
2 Zack Kassian
3 Jesse Puljujarvi
4 Iiro Pakarinen
5 Ty Rattie

DEFENSE
1 Oscar Klefbom
2 Adam Larsson
3 Kris Russell
4 Andrej Sekera
5 Darnell Nurse
6 Matthew Benning
7 Eric Gryba
8 Mark Fayne
9 Ryan Stanton
10 Keegan Lowe

GOALIE
1 Cam Talbot
2 Laurent Brossoit
3 Nick Ellis

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Jordan Eberle, RW; Benoit Pouliot, LW; David Desharnais, C; Griffin Reinhart, D; Tyler Pitlick, RW; Jonas Gustavsson, G


JESSE **PULJUJARVI**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. JESSE PULJUJARVI, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Bakersfield (AHL)
Was over his head in NHL at age 18, went to AHL to improve his play away from the puck.
ACQUIRED 4th overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

2. KAILER YAMAMOTO, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Spokane (WHL)
Pint-sized winger is strong on his skates, has a hard shot and can agitate opponents.
ACQUIRED 22nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

3. LAURENT BROSSOIT, G
AGE 24 **TEAM** Bakersfield (AHL)
Struggles with consistency, but he's brimming with confidence and enthusiasm.
ACQUIRED From Cgy, Nov. 2013 **NHL** '17-18

4. TYLER BENSON, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Vancouver (WHL)
Good hands and offensive awareness. Missed half of his games past two years with injuries.
ACQUIRED 32nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

5. CALEB JONES, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Portland (WHL)
Brother of Seth Jones is skilled point-producer from the back end. Ready for AHL test.
ACQUIRED 117th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

6. STUART SKINNER, G
AGE 18 **TEAM** Lethbridge (WHL)
Tall, athletic stopper with excellent post-to-post control. Played 80 games all of last season.
ACQUIRED 78th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

7. JUJHAR KHAIRA, LW
AGE 23 **TEAM** Bakersfield (AHL)
Big two-way winger who is strong on his skates and best fitted for fourth line.
ACQUIRED 63rd overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

8. MARKUS NIEMELAINEN, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Saginaw (OHL)
Wiry stay-at-home type with excellent reach saw a huge dropoff in production.
ACQUIRED 63rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

9. ETHAN BEAR, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Seattle (WHL)
Right-handed offensive blueliner who has consistently piled up points in major junior.
ACQUIRED 124th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

10. DYLAN WELLS, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** Peterborough (OHL)
Physically gifted netminder positions himself well. Great year-over-year improvement
ACQUIRED 123rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

KAILER YAMAMOTO

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
22nd overall

2016-17 TEAM
Spokane

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Conor Sheary

SCOUTING REPORT
An incredibly skilled offensive player, Yamamoto skates well and thinks the game at a high level. He probably needs to be on a scoring line at the next level, but the Oilers are set up nicely for that.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Laurent Brossoit *Port Alberni, B.C.*	3/23/93	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-3, 204*	21 *Trade: Cgy 11/8/13*	9	8	3	2.67	.908
Nick Ellis *Millersville, Md.*	1/18/94	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-1, 180*	34 *Free Agent: signed 4/7/16*	16	12	2	2.69	.918
Stuart Skinner *Edmonton, Alta.*	11/1/98	Lethbridge (WHL) *6-3, 205*	60 *Draft: 78th overall ('17)*	34	18	5	3.26	.905
Cam Talbot *Caledonia, Ont.*	7/5/87	Edmonton *6-3, 199*	73 *Trade: NYR 6/27/15*	42	22	8	2.39	.919
Dylan Wells *St. Catherines, Ont.*	1/3/98	Peterborough (OHL) *6-2, 185*	52 *Draft: 123rd overall ('16)*	33	15	4	3.07	.916

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Yohann Auvitu *Ivry-sur-Seine, France*	7/27/89	New Jersey *5-11, 191*	25 *Free Agent: signed 7/10/17*	2	2	4	2
Ethan Bear *Regina, Sask.*	6/26/97	Seattle (WHL) *5-11, 198*	67 *Draft: 124th overall ('15)*	28	42	70	21
Matt Benning *Edmonton, Alta.*	5/25/94	Edmonton *6-1, 195*	62 *Free Agent: signed 8/27/16*	3	12	15	29
Mark Fayne *Nashua, N.H.*	5/15/87	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-3, 212*	39 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*	3	14	17	16
Eric Gryba *Saskatoon, Sask.*	4/14/88	Edmonton *6-4, 225*	40 *Trade: Ott 6/27/15*	2	4	6	65
Caleb Jones *Arlington, Texas*	6/6/97	Portland (WHL) *6-1, 192*	63 *Draft: 117th overall ('15)*	9	53	62	54
Oscar Klefbom *Karlstad, Sweden*	7/20/93	Edmonton *6-3, 220*	82 *Draft: 19th overall ('11)*	12	26	38	6
Adam Larsson *Skelleftea, Sweden*	11/12/92	Edmonton *6-3, 215*	79 *Trade: NJ 6/29/16*	4	15	19	55
Keegan Lowe *Greenwich, Conn.*	3/29/93	Cha/SNF (AHL) *6-2, 195*	71 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	6	12	18	74
Ryan Mantha *North Bay, Ont.*	6/18/96	Niagara (OHL) *6-5, 225*	65 *Free Agent: signed 3/1/17*	17	41	58	70
Markus Niemelainen *Kuopio, Finland*	6/8/98	Saginaw (OHL) *6-5, 198*	59 *Draft: 63rd overall ('16)*	3	6	9	40
Darnell Nurse *Hamilton, Ont.*	2/4/95	Edmonton *6-4, 220*	44 *Draft: 7th overall ('13)*	5	6	11	33
Ziyat Paigin *Penza, Russia*	2/8/95	Bars (Rus2) *6-6, 209*	17 *Draft: 209th overall ('15)*	5	2	7	24
Kris Russell *Caroline, Alta.*	5/2/87	Edmonton *5-10, 170*	68 *Free Agent: signed 10/7/16*	1	12	13	23
Andrej Sekera *Bojnice, Slovakia*	6/8/86	Edmonton *6-0, 198*	80 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*	8	27	35	18
Dillon Simpson *Edmonton, Alta.*	2/10/93	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-2, 194*	53 *Draft: 92nd overall ('11)*	3	8	11	26
Ryan Stanton *St. Albert, Alta.*	7/20/89	SA/Cle (AHL) *6-2, 196*	48 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	2	10	12	69

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Gregory Chase *Sherwood Park, Alta.*	1/1/95	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-0, 190*	48 *Draft: 188th overall ('13)*	3	11	14	12
Grayson Downing *Abbotsford, B.C.*	4/18/92	IA/Tuc (AHL) *6-0, 197*	59 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	9	17	26	15
Leon Draisaitl *Cologne, Germany*	10/27/95	Edmonton *6-1, 216*	82 *Draft: 3rd overall ('14)*	29	48	77	20
Joseph Gambardella *Staten Island, N.Y.*	12/1/93	UMass-Lowell (HE) *5-10, 201*	41 *Free Agent: signed 3/28/17*	18	34	52	22
Mark Letestu *Elk Point, Alta.*	2/4/85	Edmonton *5-10, 197*	78 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*	16	19	35	17
Connor McDavid *Richmond Hill, Ont.*	1/13/97	Edmonton *6-1, 200*	82 *Draft: 1st overall ('15)*	30	70	100	26
Ryan Nugent-Hopkins *Burnaby, B.C.*	4/12/93	Edmonton *6-0, 196*	82 *Draft: 1st overall ('11)*	18	25	43	29

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Tyler Benson *Edmonton, Alta.*	3/15/98	Vancouver (WHL) *6-0, 201*	33 *Draft: 32nd overall ('16)*	11	31	42	31
Drake Caggiula *Pickering, Ont.*	6/20/94	Edmonton *5-10, 185*	60 *Free Agent: signed 5/7/16*	7	11	18	16
Jussi Jokinen *Kalajoki, Finland*	4/1/83	Florida *5-11, 198*	69 *Free Agent: signed 7/7/17*	11	17	28	39
Jujhar Khaira *Surrey, B.C.*	8/13/94	Bakersfield (AHL) *6-4, 219*	27 *Draft: 63rd overall ('12)*	8	12	20	31
Milan Lucic *Vancouver, B.C.*	6/7/88	Edmonton *6-3, 236*	82 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*	23	27	50	50
Brad Malone *Miramichi, N.B.*	5/20/89	Her/Chi (AHL) *6-2, 207*	71 *Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*	11	17	28	72
Patrick Maroon *St. Louis, Mo.*	4/23/88	Edmonton *6-3, 227*	81 *Trade: Ana 2/29/16*	27	15	42	95

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mitch Callahan *Whittier, Calif.*	8/17/91	Grand Rapids (AHL) *6-0, 190*	66 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	16	27	43	57
Zack Kassian *Windsor, Ont.*	1/24/91	Edmonton *6-3, 207*	79 *Trade: Mtl 12/28/15*	7	17	24	101
Iiro Pakarinen *Loviisa, Finland*	8/25/91	Edmonton *6-1, 209*	14 *Free Agent: signed 6/15/14*	2	2	4	2
Jesse Puljujarvi *Alvkarleby, Sweden*	5/7/98	Edmonton *6-4, 203*	28 *Draft: 4th overall ('16)*	1	7	8	10
Ty Rattie *Calgary, Alta.*	2/5/93	Chicago (AHL) *6-0, 178*	22 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	2	3	5	2
Anton Slepyshev *Penza, Russia*	5/13/94	Edmonton *6-2, 218*	41 *Draft: 88th overall ('13)*	4	6	10	4
Ryan Strome *Mississauga, Ont.*	7/11/93	NY Islanders *6-1, 199*	69 *Trade: NYI 6/22/17*	13	17	30	40
Kailer Yamamoto *Spokane, Wash.*	9/29/98	Spokane (WHL) *5-8, 153*	65 *Draft: 22nd overall ('17)*	42	57	99	46

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
97	Connor McDavid	82	30	70	100	27	26	3	1	6	251	12.0	71	27	348	458	43.2	3:02	0:48	21:07	13	5	4	9	3	2
29	Leon Draisaitl	82	29	48	77	7	20	10	0	5	172	16.9	50	27	476	496	49.0	2:54	0:25	18:53	13	6	10	16	8	19
14	Jordan Eberle	82	20	31	51	3	16	4	0	0	208	9.6	37	14	10	10	50.0	2:14	0:00	16:46	13	0	2	2	-6	2
27	Milan Lucic	82	23	27	50	-3	50	12	0	3	175	13.1	25	25	4	3	57.1	2:43	0:00	17:09	13	2	4	6	-5	20
93	R. Nugent-Hopkins	82	18	25	43	-10	29	5	0	4	200	9.0	32	11	556	712	43.8	1:53	1:43	17:41	13	0	4	4	-3	2
19	Patrick Maroon	81	27	15	42	13	95	3	0	5	178	15.2	36	6	6	9	40.0	1:55	0:00	16:44	13	3	5	8	2	28
77	Oscar Klefbom	82	12	26	38	7	6	3	0	3	201	6.0	21	16	—	—	—	2:31	1:40	22:22	12	2	3	5	-2	0
55	Mark Letestu	78	16	19	35	-2	17	11	2	6	120	13.3	18	14	452	444	50.4	3:22	2:38	14:14	13	5	6	11	-4	2
2	Andrej Sekera	80	8	27	35	14	18	1	1	1	128	6.3	23	11	—	—	—	2:11	2:01	21:28	11	1	2	3	-1	2
44	Zack Kassian	79	7	17	24	4	101	0	0	0	110	6.4	24	0	4	7	36.4	0:05	1:06	12:18	13	3	0	3	1	27
6	Adam Larsson	79	4	15	19	21	55	0	0	0	85	4.7	19	0	—	—	—	0:11	1:35	20:08	13	2	4	6	-4	4
36	*Drake Caggiula	60	7	11	18	3	16	2	0	2	93	7.5	12	5	117	167	41.2	1:39	0:41	13:14	13	3	0	3	0	25
83	*Matt Benning	62	3	12	15	8	29	1	0	0	69	4.3	12	3	—	—	—	0:25	0:41	16:36	12	0	3	3	3	12
67	Benoit Pouliot	67	8	6	14	-5	34	0	0	1	77	10.4	14	0	7	21	25.0	0:51	1:21	14:03	13	0	0	0	-2	4
13	David Desharnais	49	6	8	14	4	12	0	0	1	46	13.0	12	2	170	162	51.2	1:00	0:01	12:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	31	4	6	10	5	6	0	0	1	30	13.3	8	2	76	83	47.8	1:23	0:01	13:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Edm	18	2	2	4	-1	6	0	0	0	16	12.5	4	0	94	79	54.3	0:18	0:00	11:20	13	1	3	4	3	0
4	Kris Russell	68	1	12	13	5	23	0	0	1	68	1.5	12	1	—	—	—	0:17	2:18	21:13	13	0	4	4	2	4
15	Tyler Pitlick	31	8	3	11	0	6	0	0	1	54	14.8	11	0	8	7	53.3	0:05	0:08	9:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Darnell Nurse	44	5	6	11	0	33	0	0	0	85	5.9	11	0	—	—	—	0:06	1:11	17:01	13	0	2	2	0	6
42	*Anton Slepyshev	41	4	6	10	5	4	0	0	0	55	7.3	10	0	2	3	40.0	0:06	0:00	11:06	12	3	0	3	1	4
98	*Jesse Puljujarvi	28	1	7	8	5	10	1	0	0	41	2.4	7	1	0	1	0.0	0:49	0:00	11:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Matt Hendricks	42	4	3	7	-3	29	0	0	1	42	9.5	7	0	132	100	56.9	0:04	1:30	10:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
62	Eric Gryba	40	2	4	6	-5	65	0	0	2	45	4.4	6	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:18	16:08	3	0	0	0	-1	4
26	Iiro Pakarinen	14	2	2	4	2	2	0	0	1	15	13.3	4	0	0	1	0.0	0:07	0:16	8:55	1	0	0	0	-1	0
51	Anton Lander	22	1	3	4	2	6	0	0	0	12	8.3	4	0	79	62	56.0	0:05	1:53	9:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Mark Fayne	4	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	7:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
54	*Jujhar Khaira	10	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	1	10	10.0	1	0	7	12	36.8	0:05	0:01	9:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
82	Jordan Oesterle	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:18	0:00	17:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
79	*Dillon Simpson	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	Jonas Gustavsson	7	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	*Laurent Brossoit	8	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	0	0	—	0
33	Cam Talbot	73	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	0	1	1	—	0
8	Griffin Reinhart	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	1	1	0	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	*Laurent Brossoit	8	332	1.99	4	1	0	1	0	11	153	.928	0	0	0	1	27	4.44	0	0	0	0	2	8	.750
33	Cam Talbot	73	4,294	2.39	42	22	8	6	7	171	2,117	.919	0	0	4	13	799	2.48	7	6	0	2	33	437	.924
50	Jonas Gustavsson	7	329	3.10	1	3	1	1	0	17	139	.878	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 . . . . . Cgy
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at Van
3. Mon. Oct. 9 . . . . . Wpg
4. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . Ott
5. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . Car
6. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . at Chi
7. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . at Phi
8. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Pit
9. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . Dal
10. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . Wsh
11. Wed. Nov. 1. . . . . Pit
12. Fri. Nov. 3 . . . . . NJ
13. Sun. Nov. 5 . . . . . Det
14. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . at NYI
15. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . at NJ
16. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . at NYR
17. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . at Wsh
18. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . Veg
19. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . StL
20. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . at Dal
21. Tue. Nov. 21 . . . . . at StL
22. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . at Det
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at Buf
24. Sun. Nov. 26 . . . . . at Bos
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . Ari
26. Thu. Nov. 30 . . . . . Tor
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Cgy
28. Wed. Dec. 6 . . . . . Phi
29. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . at Mtl
30. Sun. Dec. 10 . . . . . at Tor
31. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . at Clb
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . Nsh
33. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . at Min
34. Mon. Dec. 18. . . . . SJ
35. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . StL
36. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . Mtl
37. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . at Wpg
38. Fri. Dec. 29. . . . . Chi
39. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . Wpg
40. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . LA
41. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . Ana
42. Sat. Jan. 6. . . . . at Dal
43. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Chi
44. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . at Nsh
45. Fri. Jan. 12. . . . . at Ari
46. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . at Veg
47. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . Van
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . Buf
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Cgy
50. Thu. Feb. 1. . . . . Col
51. Mon. Feb. 5 . . . . . TB
52. Wed. Feb. 7 . . . . . at LA
53. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at Ana
54. Sat. Feb. 10. . . . . at SJ
55. Mon. Feb. 12. . . . . Fla
56. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Veg
57. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . at Ari
58. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . at Col
59. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . Bos
60. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . Col
61. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at LA
62. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at Ana
63. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . at SJ
64. Thu. Mar. 1. . . . . Nsh
65. Sat. Mar. 3. . . . . NYR
66. Mon. Mar. 5. . . . . Ari
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . NYI
68. Sat. Mar. 10. . . . . Min
69. Tue. Mar. 13. . . . . at Cgy
70. Wed. Mar. 14. . . . . SJ
71. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . at Fla
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . at TB
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . at Car
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . at Ott
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . LA
76. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . Ana
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . Clb
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Van
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Cgy
80. Mon. Apr. 2. . . . . at Min
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Veg
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . Van

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Florida PANTHERS

BY GEORGE RICHARDS

FEW TEAMS WERE as disappointing as the Panthers last season. After winning a franchise-record 47 games with a franchise-best 103 points and capturing only the second divisional title in team history in 2015-16, management made wholesale changes both on and off the ice and the team responded with a resounding thud. Dale Tallon was pushed aside as Florida's GM in a front office purge, and popular coach Gerard Gallant was unceremoniously fired 22 games in. The Panthers ended up so far out of the playoffs they narrowly escaped last place in the Atlantic Division. Tallon was officially renamed GM the day after the disastrous campaign ended, while interim coach-GM Tom Rowe is still employed by the team but doesn't seem to be around anymore.

Leading goal-scorer Jonathan Marchessault was left unprotected and nabbed by Vegas in the expansion draft, while the team declined to bring back future Hall of Famer Jaromir Jagr. The Panthers are banking on internal improvement and guidance from new coach Bob Boughner to return to respectability.

OFFENSE With the departure of Marchessault, Florida lost its first 30-goal scorer since David Booth in 2008-09. The 45-year-old Jagr (46 points) wasn't offered a contract and Reilly Smith (37 points) was traded to the Golden Knights in exchange for them picking up his cumbersome contract.

A healthy Jonathan Huberdeau, who missed 51 games with an injured Achilles tendon, will help fill the scoring void. With Jagr gone, Huberdeau and Aleksander Barkov will likely be paired with former KHLer Evgeny Dadonov, who signed a three-year deal July 1. The Panthers need a bounce-back performance from Nick Bjugstad (seven goals and 14 points last year) and a continued rise from leading scorer Vincent Trocheck. Free agent addition Radim Vrbata racked up 55 points last season in Arizona, but he'll struggle to duplicate such production in a lesser role.

ALEKSANDER BARKOV

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
35-36-11 (81 pts)

OT/SO
7-5/5-6

DIVISION
6th

OVERALL
23rd

OFFENSE
2.50 GPG (23rd)

DEFENSE
2.82 GAA (21st)

POWER PLAY
17.0% (24th)

PENALTY KILL
85.3% (2nd)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.29% (17th)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-12-11 (.583)

2-GOAL GAMES
6-8 (.428)

3+ GOAL GAMES
10-16 (.384)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Vincent Trocheck (20:49)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Keith Yandle (22:02)

FAST FACTS

GM
Dave Tallon

COACH
Bob Boughner

ARENA
BB&T Center

CAPACITY
19,250

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
14,621 (26th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Springfield Thunderbirds

PLAYOFF RECORD
2-4 (since 2013)

DEFENSE Last off-season's overhaul saw Keith Yandle, Jason Demers and Mark Pysyk brought aboard. This season, the Panthers' defense corps looks familiar as the top-six returns intact. Aaron Ekblad struggled at times in his third season and vows to regain his elite form. Rookie Michael Matheson was a bright spot and Alex Petrovic continues to improve. Ian McCoshen made his NHL debut late last year and looks ready for a regular role with the Panthers.

Boughner is a defensive coach who likes the speed of Florida's blueline and feels a more aggressive approach will benefit players who struggled last year.

GOALTENDING Roberto Luongo may lose his status as the Panthers' No. 1 netminder this

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season. Luongo missed the final weeks of last season due to injury concerns stemming from 2016 hip surgery, and Luongo said the problem would likely not go away and he would just have to deal with it. James Reimer may end up carrying the bulk of the starts.

SPECIAL TEAMS Of all the problems the Panthers had last year, their penalty kill wasn't one of them. Led by the likes of captain Derek MacKenzie, Colton Sceviour and Trocheck, Florida had the league's second-best PK. Two big parts of that kill – Smith and the bought-out Jussi Jokinen – are gone. The power play needs work, and Dadonov and Vrbata should help. Yandle earned 16 of his team-high 36 assists while on the man advantage.

INTANGIBLES With the exit of veterans Jagr, Jokinen and Shawn Thornton, Florida has a leadership void to fill. Last season was tumultuous and unstable, and the Panthers need to minimize distractions and get off to a good start to turn the page on last year's debacle.

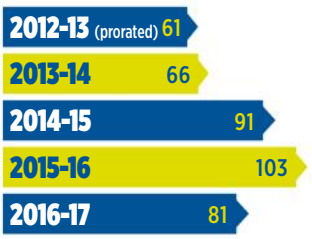
ROOKIES Not only will 2017 first-round pick Owen Tippett get a shot to make the team, but the Panthers will also look at Henrik Haapala (who led Finland's top league in scoring last season) and former KHL forward Maxim Mamin. Forwards Jayce Hawryluk, Sebastian Repo, Juho Lammikko and Dryden Hunt – as well as blueliner McCoshen – will challenge for playing time.

X-FACTOR A return to stability in the front office will only help the Panthers. As team CEO Matthew Caldwell said during the summer, for a team with such strong military ties, last year's Panthers failed to get its chain of command sorted out.

THE BRASS Tallon is back running things with the help of assistant GM Eric Joyce, newcomer Chris Pronger and Hall of Famer Bill Torrey, among others. Unlike last year, if players have a problem, they can bring their concerns to one guy: Tallon. The Panthers are trying to right the mistakes that led to last year's disappointment.

THE CAT'S MEOW
Left winger Jonathan Huberdeau is a chief offensive facilitator for the Panthers, and his extended absence last season played a big part in Florida's tumble down the standings.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Jonathan Huberdeau	1 Aleksander Barkov	1 Evgeny Dadonov	1 Aaron Ekblad	6 Alex Petrovic	1 Roberto Luongo
2 Jared McCann	2 Vincent Trocheck	2 Radim Vrbata	2 Keith Yandle	7 Ian McCoshen	2 James Reimer
3 Denis Malgin	3 Nick Bjugstad	3 Colton Sceviour	3 Michael Matheson	8 MacKenzie Weegar	3 Harri Sateri
4 Henrik Haapala	4 Derek MacKenzie	4 Alexandre Grenier	4 Jason Demers	9 Michael Downing	
5 Connor Brickley	5 Micheal Haley	5 Jayce Hawryluk	5 Mark Pysyk	10 Reece Scarlett	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Jaromir Jagr, RW; Jonathan Marchessault, RW; Reilly Smith, RW; Michael Sgarbossa, C

HENRIK **BORGSTROM**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. OWEN TIPPETT
AGE 18 **TEAM** Mississauga (OHL)
Fast, powerful skater with great hands and hard shot. Just needs to improve his defense.
ACQUIRED 10th overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

2. HENRIK BORGSTROM, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Denver (NCHC)
Strong skater and terrific hands, he averaged more than point per game as NCAA freshman.
ACQUIRED 23rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

3. IAN MCCOSHEN, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Springfield (AHL)
Having success against older and more mature players has boosted his confidence.
ACQUIRED 31st overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

4. SAM MONTEMBEAULT, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Blainville-Boisbriand (QMJHL)
Overage season in the 'Q' was his best yet. More than ready for the next level.
ACQUIRED 77th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

5. JAYCE HAWRYLUK, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Springfield (AHL)
After dealing with injuries, he returned to display his gritty, relentless two-way game.
ACQUIRED 32nd overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

6. MICHAEL DOWNING, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Springfield (AHL)
Michigan alum surprised everyone with his composed play and competitive drive.
ACQUIRED 97th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

7. MAXIM MAMIN, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** CSKA Moscow (KHL)
Had breakout offensive season in KHL playing alongside Valeri Nichushkin.
ACQUIRED 175th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

8. ADAM MASCHERIN, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Kitchener (OHL)
What's the undersized goal-scorer going to do after another 35-goal season and 100 points?
ACQUIRED 38th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

9. ALEKSI HEPONIEMI, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Swift Current (WHL)
Gifted playmaker with high hockey IQ aiming for 100 points, but badly needs muscle mass.
ACQUIRED 40th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

10. JONATHAN ANG, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Peterborough (OHL)
A hard worker and swift skater, the challenge is to let the rest of his game get caught up.
ACQUIRED 94th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

OWEN TIPPETT

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
10th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Mississauga

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Kyle Okposo

SCOUTING REPORT
The physical tools are undeniable. He's a fast, powerful skater, his shot is heavy and his hands are deadly. If he can improve his play away from the puck, he'll be a weapon. Could make NHL at 18.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Roberto Luongo	4/4/79	Florida	40	17	15	6	2.68	.915
Montreal, Que.		*6-3, 217*	*Trade: Van 3/4/14*					
S. Montembeault	10/30/96	B.-Boisbriand (QMJHL)	41	28	9	1	2.40	.907
Becancour, Que.		*6-3, 192*	*Draft: 77th overall ('15)*					
James Reimer	3/15/88	Florida	43	18	16	5	2.53	.920
Morweena, Man.		*6-2, 217*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					
Harri Sateri	12/29/89	Vityaz (KHL)	42	20	16	0	2.50	.929
Toijala, Finland		*6-1, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Josh Brown	1/21/94	Springfield (AHL)	72	3	10	13	96
London, Ont.		*6-5, 225*	*Draft: 152nd overall ('13)*				
Jason Demers	6/9/88	Florida	81	9	19	28	53
Dorval, Que.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/16*				
Michael Downing	5/19/95	Springfield (AHL)	67	2	11	13	65
Canton, Mich.		*6-3, 204*	*Draft: 97th overall ('13)*				
Aaron Ekblad	2/7/96	Florida	68	10	11	21	58
Windsor, Ont.		*6-4, 216*	*Draft: 1st overall ('14)*				
Linus Hultstrom	12/9/92	Djurgarden (Swe)	44	7	13	20	24
Vimmerby, Sweden		*5-11, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 5/3/16*				
Mike Matheson	2/27/94	Florida	81	7	10	17	36
Pointe-Claire, Que.		*6-2, 192*	*Draft: 23rd overall ('12)*				
Ian McCoshen	8/5/95	Springfield (AHL)	68	4	12	16	37
Anaheim, Calif.		*6-3, 217*	*Draft: 31st overall ('13)*				
Alex Petrovic	3/3/92	Florida	49	1	13	14	79
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-4, 206*	*Draft: 36th overall ('10)*				
Mark Pysyk	1/11/92	Florida	82	4	13	17	10
Sherwood Park, Alta.		*6-1, 200*	*Trade: Buf 6/25/16*				
Reece Scarlett	3/31/93	Alb/Spg (AHL)	51	5	17	22	53
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 175*	*Trade: NJ 3/1/17*				
Thomas Schemitsch	10/26/96	Springfield (AHL)	37	1	3	4	4
Thornhill, Ont.		*6-4, 200*	*Draft: 88th overall ('15)*				
Mackenzie Weegar	1/7/94	Springfield (AHL)	60	14	22	36	70
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-0, 212*	*Draft: 206th overall ('13)*				
Keith Yandle	9/9/86	Florida	82	5	36	41	39
Boston, Mass.		*6-1, 196*	*Trade: NYR 6/20/16*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jonathan Ang	1/31/98	Peterborough (OHL)	67	27	32	59	75
Markham, Ont.		*5-11, 165*	*Draft: 94th overall ('16)*				
Aleksander Barkov	9/2/95	Florida	61	21	31	52	10
Tampere, Finland		*6-3, 213*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('13)*				
Nick Bjugstad	7/17/92	Florida	54	7	7	14	22
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-6, 218*	*Draft: 19th overall ('10)*				
Henrik Borgstrom	8/6/97	Denver (NCHC)	37	22	21	43	16
Helsinki, Finland		*6-3, 185*	*Draft: 23rd overall ('16)*				
Matt Buckles	5/5/95	Cornell (ECAC)	29	9	9	18	22
Toronto, Ont.		*6-3, 218*	*Draft: 98th overall ('13)*				
Aleksi Heponiemi	1/9/99	Swift Current (WHL)	72	28	58	86	18
Tampere, Finland		*5-10, 147*	*Draft: 40th overall ('17)*				
Derek MacKenzie	6/11/81	Florida	82	6	10	16	50
Sudbury, Ont.		*5-11, 181*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Vincent Trocheck	7/11/93	Florida	82	23	31	54	43
Pittsburgh, Pa.		*5-10, 182*	*Draft: 64th overall ('11)*				
Curtis Valk	2/8/93	Utica (AHL)	75	16	30	46	49
Medicine Hat, Alta.		*5-9, 160*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Connor Brickley	2/25/92	Charlotte (AHL)	69	15	11	26	57
Everett, Mass.		*6-0, 203*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Henrik Haapala	2/28/94	Tappara (Fin)	51	15	45	60	18
Lempaala, Finland		*5-9, 156*	*Free Agent: signed 6/1/17*				
Micheal Haley	3/30/86	San Jose	58	2	10	12	128
Guelph, Ont.		*5-11, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Jonathan Huberdeau	6/4/93	Florida	31	10	16	26	13
Saint-Jerome, Que.		*6-1, 188*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('11)*				
Dryden Hunt	11/24/95	Springfield (AHL)	70	13	18	31	65
Cranbrook, B.C.		*6-0, 197*	*Free Agent: signed 3/2/16*				
Juho Lammikko	1/29/96	Springfield (AHL)	47	6	5	11	24
Noormarkku, Finland		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 65th overall ('14)*				
Denis Malgin	1/18/97	Florida	47	6	4	10	8
Olten, Switzerland		*5-9, 177*	*Draft: 102nd overall ('15)*				
Adam Mascherin	6/6/98	Kitchener (OHL)	65	35	65	100	20
Maple, Ont.		*5-10, 206*	*Draft: 38th overall ('16)*				
Jared McCann	5/31/96	Florida	29	1	6	7	4
Stratford, Ont.		*6-1, 198*	*Trade: Van 5/25/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Chase Balisy	2/2/92	Springfield (AHL)	76	17	28	45	26
Fullerton, Calif.		*5-11, 179*	*Free Agent: signed 6/1/15*				
Evgeny Dadonov	3/12/89	St. Petersburg (KHL)	53	30	36	66	39
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*5-11, 184*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Alexandre Grenier	9/5/91	Utica (AHL)	69	17	28	45	52
Laval, Que.		*6-5, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*				
Jayce Hawryluk	1/1/96	Springfield (AHL)	47	9	17	26	47
Yorkton, Sask.		*5-11, 186*	*Draft: 32nd overall ('14)*				
Maxim Mamin	1/13/95	CSKA Moscow (KHL)	42	12	13	25	15
Moscow, Russia		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 175th overall ('16)*				
Sebastian Repo	6/23/96	Pel/Tap (Fin)	54	11	24	35	80
Lahti, Finland		*6-3, 189*	*Draft: 184th overall ('17)*				
Colton Sceviour	4/20/89	Florida	80	9	15	24	25
Red Deer, Alta.		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Owen Tippett	2/16/99	Mississauga (OHL)	60	44	31	75	36
Peterborough, Ont.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 10th overall ('17)*				
Radim Vrbata	6/13/81	Arizona	81	20	35	55	16
Mlada Boleslav, Czech.		*6-1, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
21	Vincent Trocheck	82	23	31	54	-13	43	2	0	2	230	10.0	41	12	835	829	50.2	2:43	1:55	20:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Aleksander Barkov	61	21	31	52	13	10	3	0	5	142	14.8	38	14	476	547	46.5	2:54	1:16	19:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
81	J. Marchessault	75	30	21	51	-21	38	8	0	6	193	15.5	33	18	122	148	45.2	2:41	0:02	16:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Thomas Vanek	68	17	31	48	-5	22	5	0	2	133	12.8	35	13	6	9	40.0	2:40	0:00	14:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Det	48	15	23	38	2	16	5	0	2	99	15.2	27	11	6	9	40.0	2:50	0:01	14:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	20	2	8	10	-7	6	0	0	0	34	5.9	8	2	—	—	—	2:17	0:00	13:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
68	Jaromir Jagr	82	16	30	46	2	56	8	0	2	181	8.8	33	13	1	1	50.0	2:45	0:00	16:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Keith Yandle	82	5	36	41	-6	39	2	0	0	178	2.8	22	18	—	—	—	3:05	1:41	22:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Reilly Smith	80	15	22	37	-13	17	6	1	3	160	9.4	25	11	3	3	50.0	2:24	1:43	18:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	Jussi Jokinen	69	11	17	28	-15	39	4	1	2	118	9.3	17	10	75	69	52.1	2:27	1:21	17:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Jason Demers	81	9	19	28	-14	53	0	0	2	98	9.2	21	5	0	1	0.0	1:37	1:45	19:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Jonathan Huberdeau	31	10	16	26	-2	13	3	0	2	86	11.6	19	7	4	5	44.4	2:32	0:05	17:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Colton Sceviour	80	9	15	24	-16	25	1	3	1	172	5.2	17	3	31	27	53.4	0:49	2:00	14:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Aaron Ekblad	68	10	11	21	-23	58	4	1	2	225	4.4	12	8	—	—	—	2:47	0:48	21:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	*Mike Matheson	81	7	10	17	-5	36	0	0	0	179	3.9	15	1	1	0	100.0	0:30	2:35	21:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Mark Pysyk	82	4	13	17	0	10	0	0	0	86	4.7	17	0	0	1	0.0	0:05	2:50	18:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	Derek MacKenzie	82	6	10	16	-7	50	0	2	1	91	6.6	11	0	386	386	50.0	0:09	2:15	12:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Nick Bjugstad	54	7	7	14	-19	22	1	0	1	91	7.7	11	3	186	205	47.6	1:25	0:02	13:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Alex Petrovic	49	1	13	14	-1	79	0	0	0	55	1.8	14	0	—	—	—	0:06	1:18	18:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
62	*Denis Malgin	47	6	4	10	-5	8	2	0	1	67	9.0	8	2	67	117	36.4	1:06	0:00	11:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	*Michael Sgarbossa	38	2	7	9	-5	9	1	0	0	33	6.1	7	2	138	176	43.9	0:39	0:08	11:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ana	9	0	2	2	-2	0	0	0	0	7	0.0	1	1	34	47	42.0	0:16	0:19	9:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	29	2	5	7	-3	9	1	0	0	26	7.7	6	1	104	129	44.6	0:46	0:05	11:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
90	Jared McCann	29	1	6	7	-1	4	0	0	0	44	2.3	6	1	41	64	39.0	0:59	0:01	11:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Seth Griffith	24	0	5	5	6	8	0	0	0	21	0.0	4	1	2	6	25.0	1:20	0:00	12:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:48	0:00	9:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	21	0	5	5	6	8	0	0	0	18	0.0	4	1	2	6	25.0	1:24	0:00	13:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Shawn Thornton	50	2	2	4	-7	67	0	0	0	42	4.8	4	0	5	10	33.3	0:09	0:00	7:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Jakub Kindl	39	0	4	4	-11	28	0	0	0	41	0.0	4	0	—	—	—	0:16	0:11	14:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	Shane Harper	14	2	1	3	-1	18	0	0	0	13	15.4	3	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:00	10:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
92	*Kyle Rau	24	2	1	3	-3	4	0	0	0	21	9.5	3	0	2	1	66.7	0:12	0:00	9:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Paul Thompson	21	0	3	3	-4	22	0	0	0	19	0.0	3	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:00	7:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Dylan McIlrath	6	1	0	1	-2	14	0	0	0	3	33.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:11	9:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NYR	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	9:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	5	1	0	1	-2	10	0	0	0	3	33.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:13	9:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	*Ian McCoshen	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	13:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Roberto Luongo	40	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
52	*Mackenzie Weegar	3	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:55	0:00	17:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Reto Berra	7	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	James Reimer	43	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
34	James Reimer	43	2,325	2.53	18	16	5	5	3	98	1,222	.920	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Roberto Luongo	40	2,327	2.68	17	15	6	3	1	104	1,217	.915	0	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Reto Berra	7	313	3.45	0	5	0	3	0	18	145	.876	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 ..... at TB
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... TB
3. Thu. Oct. 12 ..... StL
4. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at Pit
5. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at Phi
6. Fri. Oct. 20 ..... Pit
7. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... at Wsh
8. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... at Mtl
9. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... Ana
10. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... Det
11. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... TB
12. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... Clb
13. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... NYR
14. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... at Car
15. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... at Buf
16. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at NJ
17. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... Dal
18. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at SJ
19. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at LA
20. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... at Ana
21. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... Tor
22. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... Chi
23. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... at NJ
24. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... at NYR
25. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... SJ
26. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... at Car
27. Mon. Dec. 4 ..... NYI
28. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... Wpg
29. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... Col
30. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... at Det
31. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... at Chi
32. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Col
33. Sun. Dec. 17 ..... at Veg
34. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... at Ari
35. Fri. Dec. 22 ..... Min
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Ott
37. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... Phi
38. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... Mtl
39. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... at Min
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at Bos
41. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... at Det
42. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... at Clb
43. Tue. Jan. 9 ..... at StL
44. Fri. Jan. 12 ..... Cgy
45. Fri. Jan. 19 ..... Veg
46. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Nsh
47. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Dal
48. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Wsh
49. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at NYI
50. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at Buf
51. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... Det
52. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... Van
53. Fri. Feb. 9 ..... LA
54. Mon. Feb. 12 ..... at Edm
55. Wed. Feb. 14 ..... at Van
56. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... at Cgy
57. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... at Wpg
58. Tue. Feb. 20 ..... at Tor
59. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... Wsh
60. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... Pit
61. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... Tor
62. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... NJ
63. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... Buf
64. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... Phi
65. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... at TB
66. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... Mtl
67. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... NYR
68. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... Ott
69. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... Bos
70. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... Edm
71. Mon. Mar. 19 ..... at Mtl
72. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at Ott
73. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... at Clb
74. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Ari
75. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... at NYI
76. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... at Tor
77. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... at Ott
78. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at Bos
79. Mon. Apr. 2 ..... Car
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... Nsh
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... Bos
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... Buf

AARON **EKBLAD**

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Los Angeles KINGS

BY DOUG WARD

THE KINGS ARE like one of those lenticular posters, the ones where the image looks altogether different depending upon the perspective from which it is viewed. From one angle, this is an elite franchise with two Stanley Cup championships in the past six years. Viewed a different way, however, Los Angeles is in a free fall after missing the post-season twice in the past three years.

From any perspective, expectations have been raised in L.A., so GM Dean Lombardi and coach Darryl Sutter were both removed from power. The line of succession went through the Hockey Hall of Fame, with former Kings greats Luc Robitaille and Rob Blake installed to restore the organization's regal touch as team president and GM, respectively.

Blake's first move was promoting John Stevens to coach. Stevens will be tasked with moving away from the club's heavy brand of hockey and icing a skilled team that can play at a brisk tempo – all while retaining the team's tough-to-play-against identity. After finishing 28th in shooting percentage, the Kings' dominant puck possession must translate to more goals.

Anze Kopitar slumped in his first season as captain, and Jonathan Quick sat out 59 games with a groin injury, so better fortunes for the pair will help the Kings rebound in 2017-18.

OFFENSE Stevens must find a way to open things up without sacrificing the team's defensive excellence. With the exception of Jeff Carter, who led the way with 32 goals and 66 points, the Kings' best players were part of the problem: Kopitar slipped to a woeful 12 goals and 52 points, Marian Gaborik (who underwent off-season knee surgery) had just 10 goals in 56 games, Tyler Toffoli dropped to 16 goals and Dustin Brown scored 14 times.

Salary cap restrictions meant Mike Cammalleri was the lone significant UFA addition.

KING MAKER
L.A.'s identity begins on the back end with Drew Doughty, whose unshakable poise and ability to drive the play led the Kings to Stanley Cup championships in 2012 and 2014.

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JONATHAN **QUICK**

Drew Doughty followed up his Norris Trophy campaign with 12 goals and 44 points. Wingers Toffoli and Tanner Pearson, both 25, were inked to contract extensions.

DEFENSE The Kings gave up 2.45 goals per game last season, sixth-best in the league, with a dominant Doughty once again anchoring the blueline. Doughty ranked second among NHL defensemen in ice time while averaging a whopping 32.4 shifts per game.

Matt Greene was bought out and Brayden McNabb was lost to Vegas in the expansion draft, but there's ample depth with Alec Martinez as well as the improving Derek Forbort and Kevin Gravel. Jake Muzzin needs a bounce-back year. Up front, the Kings need Kopitar to regain his Selke Trophy-winning form of 2015-16.

GOALTENDING Quick sustained a groin injury on opening night that limited him to 17 games, but he was effective upon his return, posting a pair of shutouts to go with a 2.26 goals-against average and .917 save percentage. After an abbreviated season with no postseason play, Quick should be fresh enough to handle the bulk of the work. With Peter Budaj and Ben Bishop out of the picture, Darcy Kuemper and Jack Campbell will battle for the backup job.

SPECIAL TEAMS L.A. was efficient killing penalties, but unproductive on the power play. Doughty, Muzzin and Martinez are all elite on the PK. First-year assistant coaches Dave Lowry, Pierre Turgeon and Don Nachbaur will be charged with improving the power play, and Doughty (five goals, 19 points on the PP) provides a nice starting point. Toffoli didn't score a shorthanded goal last year, but notched six shorties over the previous two seasons.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
39-35-8 (86 pts)

OT/SO
12-4/2-4

DIVISION
5th

OVERALL
22nd

OFFENSE
2.43 GPG (25th)

DEFENSE
2.45 GAA (6th)

POWER PLAY
19.1% (15th)

PENALTY KILL
84.5% (5th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
54.29% (2nd)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-13-8 (.575)

2-GOAL GAMES
8-8 (.500)

3+ GOAL GAMES
12-14 (.461)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Anze Kopitar (20:45)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Drew Doughty (27:08)

FAST FACTS

GM
Rob Blake

COACH
John Stevens

ARENA
Staples Center

CAPACITY
18,230

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,240 (15th)

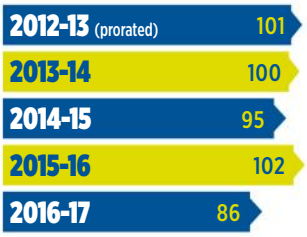
AHL AFFILIATE
Ontario Reign

ECHL AFFILIATE
Manchester Monarchs

PLAYOFF RECORD
26-23 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES How the Kings respond to the more even-tempered approach of Stevens after the departure of the hard-driving Sutter will go a long way toward determining if this group's Cup window remains open. Kopitar needs to be more effective as both a player and a leader in his second season as captain.

ROOKIES Forwards Adrian Kempe and Jonny Brodzinski and defenseman Paul LaDue made their NHL debuts last season and all three could see regular ice time in 2017-18. Kempe, a first-round pick in 2014, has the size and speed that could help usher in a new era.

X-FACTOR Quick's opening-night injury set an ominous tone last season, and Gaborik's knee surgery makes the veteran's contract even more of an albatross. Keeping the Kings' veteran core on the ice while easing in younger, faster players might be the most important factor in getting back to the playoffs.

THE BRASS If Blake is to move the Kings into the speed era while being held back by the weighty contracts of Brown, Gaborik and long-departed Mike Richards, the rookie GM will need to be as effective working in a corner office as he was working the corners of the rink.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Tanner Pearson
2 Mike Cammalleri
3 Adrian Kempe
4 Kyle Clifford
5 Jordan Nolan

CENTER
1 Anze Kopitar
2 Jeff Carter
3 Nick Shore
4 Nic Dowd
5 Andy Andreoff

RIGHT WING
1 Tyler Toffoli
2 Marian Gaborik
3 Dustin Brown
4 Trevor Lewis
5 Jonny Brodzinski

DEFENSE
1 Drew Doughty
2 Jake Muzzin
3 Derek Forbort
4 Alec Martinez
5 Paul LaDue
6 Kevin Gravel
7 Oscar Fantenberg
8 Christian Folin
9 Kurtis MacDermid
10 Alex Lintuniemi

GOALIE
1 Jonathan Quick
2 Darcy Kuemper
3 Jeff Zatkoff

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Ben Bishop, G; Brayden McNabb, D; Devin Setoguchi, RW; Matt Greene, D

ANDY DEVLIN/NHLI VIA GETTY IMAGES

ADRIAN **KEMPE**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. GABE VILARDI, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Elite playmaker with creative hockey sense and an NHL frame. Skating still needs work.
ACQUIRED 11th overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

2. ADRIAN KEMPE, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Ontario (AHL)
Goes to the net hard and battles for pucks, but there's concern about skimpy offense.
ACQUIRED 29th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

3. KALE CLAGUE, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Brandon (WHL)
Mobile defender with impressive speed and heavy shot rounding out play away from puck.
ACQUIRED 51st overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. JARET ANDERSON-DOLAN, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Spokane (WHL)
Smart, responsible, 200-foot game player can score and compete on various levels.
ACQUIRED 41st overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

5. CAL PETERSEN, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** Notre Dame (HE)
Iowa native left NCAA after terrific junior season, rebuffed Sabres to sign with Kings.
ACQUIRED Free agent, July, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

6. MATT VILLALTA, G
AGE 18 **TEAM** Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Calm, technical stopper will battle for starting assignment in second OHL season.
ACQUIRED 72nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '22-23

7. MICHAEL MERSCH, LW
AGE 24 **TEAM** Ontario (AHL)
Big winger with nice touch around net has been knocking on the door. It's now or never.
ACQUIRED 110th overall, 2011 **NHL** '17-18

8. PAUL LADUE, D
AGE 25 **TEAM** Ontario (AHL)
Two-way blueliner made smooth transition to pro after three years at North Dakota.
ACQUIRED 181st overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

9. JONNY BRODZINSKI, RW
AGE 24 **TEAM** Ontario (AHL)
His fast-shot release can surprise goalies, but he needs to work on his skating.
ACQUIRED 148th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

10. MICHAEL AMADIO, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Ontario (AHL)
Former 50-goal man in OHL ranked among AHL's top 20 rookie scorers.
ACQUIRED 90th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

GABE VILARDI

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
11th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Windsor

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mark Stone

SCOUTING REPORT
A knock on his skating caused Vilardi to drop out of the top five, but you won't hear the Kings complaining. That's because the Memorial Cup champ has high hockey IQ and deadly stick.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jack Campbell	1/9/92	Ontario (AHL)	52	31	15	6	2.52	.914
Port Huron, Mich.		*6-3, 200*	*Trade: Dal 6/25/16*					
Darcy Kuemper	5/5/90	Minnesota	18	8	5	3	3.13	.902
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-5, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Cal Petersen	10/19/94	Notre Dame (HE)	40	23	12	5	2.22	.926
Waterloo, Iowa		*6-1, 182*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Jonathan Quick	1/21/86	Los Angeles	17	8	5	2	2.26	.917
Milford, Conn.		*6-1, 218*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('05)*					
Matt Villalta	6/3/99	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	33	25	3	0	2.41	.918
Kingston, Ont.		*6-3, 165*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('17)*					
Jeff Zatkoff	6/9/87	Los Angeles	13	2	7	1	2.94	.879
Detroit, Mich.		*6-2, 179*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kale Clague	6/5/98	Brandon (WHL)	48	5	35	40	41
Regina, Sask.		*6-0, 177*	*Draft: 51st overall ('16)*				
Drew Doughty	12/8/89	Los Angeles	82	12	32	44	46
London, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('08)*				
Stepan Falkovsky	12/18/96	Adirondack (ECHL)	54	21	11	32	37
Minsk, Belarus		*6-7, 224*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Oscar Fantenberg	10/7/91	Sochi (KHL)	44	3	20	23	22
Ljungby, Sweden		*6-0, 203*	*Free Agent: signed 5/3/17*				
Christian Folin	2/9/91	Minnesota	51	2	6	8	26
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-3, 204*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Derek Forbort	3/4/92	Los Angeles	82	2	16	18	54
Duluth, Minn.		*6-4, 216*	*Draft: 15th overall ('10)*				
Kevin Gravel	3/6/92	Los Angeles	49	1	6	7	6
Kingsford, Mich.		*6-4, 212*	*Draft: 148th overall ('10)*				
Paul LaDue	9/6/92	Ontario (AHL)	38	6	12	18	28
Grand Forks, Minn.		*6-2, 201*	*Draft: 181st overall ('12)*				
Zachary Leslie	1/31/94	Ontario (AHL)	65	5	18	23	29
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-0, 175*	*Draft: 178th overall ('13)*				
Alex Lintuniemi	9/23/95	Ontario (AHL)	41	2	8	10	6
Helsinki, Finland		*6-3, 231*	*Draft: 60th overall ('14)*				
Kurtis MacDermid	3/25/94	Ontario (AHL)	58	6	14	20	135
Sauble Beach, Que.		*6-5, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 9/12/12*				
Alec Martinez	7/26/87	Los Angeles	82	9	30	39	24
Rochester Hills, Mich.		*6-1, 212*	*Draft: 95th overall ('07)*				
Jake Muzzin	2/21/89	Los Angeles	82	9	19	28	46
Woodstock, Ont.		*6-3, 216*	*Free Agent: signed 1/4/10*				
Chaz Reddekopp	1/1/97	Victoria (WHL)	51	10	33	43	63
Abbotsford, B.C.		*6-3, 219*	*Draft: 187th overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mike Amadio	5/13/96	Ontario (AHL)	68	16	25	41	4
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.		*6-1, 190*	*Draft: 90th overall ('14)*				
J. Anderson-Dolan	9/12/99	Spokane (WHL)	72	39	37	76	22
Calgary, Alta.		*5-11, 188*	*Draft: 41st overall ('17)*				
Jeff Carter	1/1/85	Los Angeles	82	32	34	66	41
London, Ont.		*6-3, 217*	*Trade: Clb 2/23/12*				
Andrew Crescenzi	7/29/92	Ontario (AHL)	56	7	8	15	57
Thornhill, Ont.		*6-4, 199*	*Trade: Tor 1/22/14*				
Nic Dowd	5/27/90	Los Angeles	70	6	16	22	25
Huntsville, Ala.		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 198th overall ('09)*				
Alex Iafallo	12/21/93	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	42	21	30	51	22
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-0, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 4/18/17*				
Anze Kopitar	8/24/87	Los Angeles	76	12	40	52	28
Jesenice, Slovenia		*6-3, 224*	*Draft: 11th overall ('05)*				
Nick Shore	9/26/92	Los Angeles	70	6	11	17	20
Denver, Colo.		*6-1, 201*	*Draft: 82nd overall ('11)*				
Gabe Vilardi	8/16/99	Windsor (OHL)	49	29	32	61	12
Kingston, Ont.		*6-3, 201*	*Draft: 11th overall ('17)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andy Andreoff	5/17/91	Los Angeles	36	0	2	2	70
Pickering, Ont.		*6-1, 210*	*Draft: 80th overall ('11)*				
Michael Cammalleri	6/8/82	New Jersey	61	10	21	31	21
Toronto, Ont.		*5-9, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Kyle Clifford	1/13/91	Los Angeles	73	6	6	12	92
Ayr, Ont.		*6-2, 211*	*Draft: 35th overall ('09)*				
Bokondji Imama	8/3/96	Saint John (QMJHL)	66	41	14	55	105
Montreal, Que.		*6-1, 221*	*Trade: TB 5/31/17*				
Adrian Kempe	9/13/96	Los Angeles	25	2	4	6	6
Kramfors, Sweden		*6-2, 202*	*Draft: 29th overall ('14)*				
Trevor Lewis	1/8/87	Los Angeles	82	12	12	24	30
Salt Lake City, Utah		*6-1, 201*	*Draft: 17th overall ('06)*				
Michael Mersch	10/2/92	Ontario (AHL)	48	16	17	33	46
Park Ridge, Ill.		*6-2, 213*	*Draft: 110th overall ('11)*				
Tanner Pearson	8/10/92	Los Angeles	80	24	20	44	13
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-1, 204*	*Draft: 30th overall ('12)*				
Matt Roy	3/1/95	Michigan Tech (WCHA)	42	5	21	26	74
Detroit, Mich.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 194th overall ('15)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Justin Auger	5/14/94	Ontario (AHL)	61	11	9	20	58
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-7, 229*	*Draft: 103rd overall ('13)*				
Jonny Brodzinski	6/19/93	Ontario (AHL)	59	27	22	49	12
Ham Lake, Minn.		*6-1, 218*	*Draft: 148th overall ('13)*				
Dustin Brown	11/4/84	Los Angeles	80	14	22	36	22
Ithaca, N.Y.		*6-0, 216*	*Draft: 13th overall ('03)*				
Marian Gaborik	2/14/82	Los Angeles	56	10	11	21	18
Trencin, Slovakia		*6-1, 205*	*Trade: Clb 3/5/14*				
Jordan Nolan	6/23/89	Los Angeles	46	4	4	8	44
Garden River, Ont.		*6-3, 219*	*Draft: 186th overall ('09)*				
Tyler Toffoli	4/24/92	Los Angeles	63	16	18	34	22
Scarborough, Ont.		*6-0, 201*	*Draft: 47th overall ('10)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
77	Jeff Carter	82	32	34	66	2	41	10	1	9	250	12.8	43	22	735	680	51.9	2:53	1:31	18:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Anze Kopitar	76	12	40	52	-10	28	5	0	0	150	8.0	32	19	892	801	52.7	3:00	1:54	20:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
70	Tanner Pearson	80	24	20	44	5	13	3	1	5	187	12.8	34	8	10	14	41.7	2:24	1:05	16:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Drew Doughty	82	12	32	44	8	46	5	0	1	181	6.6	24	19	1	0	100.0	3:17	2:34	27:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Alec Martinez	82	9	30	39	-17	24	2	1	3	144	6.3	23	15	0	1	0.0	2:10	2:13	21:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Dustin Brown	80	14	22	36	-4	22	4	1	1	175	8.0	29	6	2	3	40.0	1:30	1:17	16:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
73	Tyler Toffoli	63	16	18	34	6	22	4	0	2	165	9.7	26	7	2	3	40.0	2:16	1:03	16:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Jake Muzzin	82	9	19	28	-21	46	4	0	1	184	4.9	18	10	—	—	—	2:25	2:09	22:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Jarome Iginla	80	14	13	27	-30	70	7	0	4	153	9.2	16	11	16	14	53.3	2:16	0:01	15:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	61	8	10	18	-21	54	4	0	0	120	6.7	10	8	12	7	63.2	2:15	0:01	14:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
	LA	19	6	3	9	-9	16	3	0	4	33	18.2	6	3	4	7	36.4	2:16	0:01	16:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Trevor Lewis	82	12	12	24	-6	30	1	0	3	145	8.3	22	2	44	66	40.0	0:11	1:13	14:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Nic Dowd	70	6	16	22	-15	25	1	0	2	78	7.7	14	8	338	369	47.8	1:33	0:03	12:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Marian Gaborik	56	10	11	21	-4	18	3	0	3	123	8.1	16	5	0	1	0.0	1:28	0:04	14:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	*Derek Forbort	82	2	16	18	8	54	0	0	0	100	2.0	17	0	1	0	100.0	0:09	2:11	20:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Nick Shore	70	6	11	17	-2	20	0	1	1	79	7.6	16	0	362	359	50.2	0:18	1:17	12:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Kyle Clifford	73	6	6	12	-2	92	0	0	0	122	4.9	12	0	2	3	40.0	0:06	0:01	10:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Devin Setoguchi	45	4	8	12	-5	14	0	0	0	60	6.7	11	1	2	2	50.0	0:34	0:00	12:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	Jordan Nolan	46	4	4	8	-3	44	0	0	0	39	10.3	8	0	2	4	33.3	0:10	0:00	10:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	*Paul Ladue	22	0	8	8	-5	4	0	0	0	27	0.0	4	4	—	—	—	1:30	0:09	15:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
53	*Kevin Gravel	49	1	6	7	3	6	1	0	0	52	1.9	5	2	—	—	—	0:57	0:30	14:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	*Adrian Kempe	25	2	4	6	-3	6	0	0	1	32	6.3	3	2	67	86	43.8	0:48	0:37	12:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Tom Gilbert	18	1	4	5	-4	6	0	0	0	12	8.3	4	1	—	—	—	1:33	1:07	15:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Brayden McNabb	49	2	2	4	1	54	0	0	0	47	4.3	4	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:34	15:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Matt Greene	26	1	1	2	3	19	0	0	0	14	7.1	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:12	13:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
76	*Jonny Brodzinski	6	0	2	2	2	2	0	0	0	17	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:18	0:00	12:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Teddy Purcell	12	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	10	0.0	2	0	3	0	100.0	0:51	0:01	12:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Andy Andreoff	36	0	2	2	-2	70	0	0	0	38	0.0	2	0	41	28	59.4	0:04	0:10	10:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	*Jack Campbell	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	Jeff Zatkoff	13	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Jonathan Quick	17	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ben Bishop	39	0	0	0	—	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	32	0	0	0	—	8	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	LA	7	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON													2017 PLAYOFFS										
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	*Jack Campbell	1	20	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1.000	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Peter Budaj	53	3,029	2.12	27	20	3	11	7	107	1,286	.917	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Jonathan Quick	17	931	2.26	8	5	2	2	2	35	421	.917	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ben Bishop	7	410	2.49	2	3	2	1	0	17	170	.900	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	Jeff Zatkoff	13	550	2.95	2	7	1	1	0	27	223	.879	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . Phi
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at SJ
3. Wed. Oct. 11 . . . . . Cgy
4. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . Buf
5. Sun. Oct. 15 . . . . . NYI
6. Wed. Oct. 18 . . . . . Mtl
7. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . at Clb
8. Mon. Oct. 23 . . . . . at Tor
9. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Ott
10. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at Mtl
11. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at Bos
12. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . at StL
13. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . Tor
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Nsh
15. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . at Ana
16. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . TB
17. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . SJ
18. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . Van
19. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . Bos
20. Sat. Nov. 18 . . . . . Fla
21. Sun. Nov. 19 . . . . . at Veg
22. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . Wpg
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at Ari
24. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . Ana
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . at Det
26. Thu. Nov. 30 . . . . . at Wsh
27. Fri. Dec. 1 . . . . . at StL
28. Sun. Dec. 3 . . . . . at Chi
29. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . Min
30. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . Ott
31. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . Car
32. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . at NJ
33. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . at NYR
34. Sat. Dec. 16 . . . . . at NYI
35. Mon. Dec. 18 . . . . . at Phi
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . Col
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at SJ
38. Thu. Dec. 28 . . . . . Veg
39. Sat. Dec. 30 . . . . . at Van
40. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . at Edm
41. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Cgy
42. Sat. Jan. 6 . . . . . Nsh
43. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . Ana
44. Mon. Jan. 15 . . . . . SJ
45. Thu. Jan. 18 . . . . . Pit
46. Fri. Jan. 19 . . . . . at Ana
47. Sun. Jan. 21 . . . . . NYR
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . at Van
49. Wed. Jan. 24 . . . . . at Cgy
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . at Dal
51. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . at Nsh
52. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . Ari
53. Wed. Feb. 7 . . . . . Edm
54. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at Fla
55. Sat. Feb. 10 . . . . . at TB
56. Tue. Feb. 13 . . . . . at Car
57. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Pit
58. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . at Buf
59. Mon. Feb. 19 . . . . . at Chi
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . at Wpg
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . Dal
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Edm
63. Mon. Feb. 26 . . . . . Veg
64. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . at Veg
65. Thu. Mar. 1 . . . . . Clb
66. Sat. Mar. 3 . . . . . Chi
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . Wsh
68. Sat. Mar. 10 . . . . . StL
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . Van
70. Tue. Mar. 13 . . . . . at Ari
71. Thu. Mar. 15 . . . . . Det
72. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . NJ
73. Mon. Mar. 19 . . . . . at Min
74. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . at Wpg
75. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . at Col
76. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at Edm
77. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . Cgy
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . Ari
79. Fri. Mar. 30 . . . . . at Ana
80. Mon. Apr. 2 . . . . . Col
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Min
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . Dal

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PREDICTION | **5TH** in Central (WC) **STANLEY CUP ODDS** | **23/1**

Minnesota WILD

BY MICHAEL RUSSO

COMING OFF A season of franchise milestones including most wins, most points and the second-most goals in the NHL, the Wild could win the Western Conference in 2017-18 and it may not matter to the restless fan base. After many fans bought in last season, the Wild – after amassing the second-most points in the West – bowed out with a single post-season victory. So the Wild will surely enter this season with cynicism in the air, especially after expansion and salary cap challenges led to the loss of Erik Haula, the trades of Jason Pominville, Marco Scandella and prospect Alex Tuch, and the departures of seven others via trade or free agency.

In come Tyler Ennis and Marcus Foligno after GM Chuck Fletcher's fourth trade with Buffalo since 2013. A three-time 20-goal scorer, Ennis is a slippery, skilled winger when he's healthy. However, he has scored only eight goals and missed 90 games over the past two years. The 6-foot-3 Foligno was fifth in the NHL last season with 279 hits and had a career-high 13 goals. Five years since signing Zach Parise and Ryan Suter, the Wild have won two playoff rounds. Expectations loom large.

OFFENSE Minnesota is a fast, balanced team that benefited from coach Bruce Boudreau's system. The Wild had 12 double-digit goal-scorers, four of whom hit the 20-goal mark. Mikael Granlund is coming off a breakout season of 26 goals and 69 points, Nino Niederreiter topped 20 goals for a third straight year, Jason Zucker scored a career-high 22 and Eric Staal enjoyed a 28-goal renaissance.

Several others established personal bests, including center Charlie Coyle (56 points) and defensemen Matt Dumba (11 goals), Jared Spurgeon (38 points) and Jonas Brodin (25 points). Parise needs to bounce back from a 19-goal campaign in which he was plagued by injury and illness.

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BIG BREAKOUT
Not only did Mikael Granlund post a career high in points last season, he defied his playmaking reputation by doubling his previous personal best in goals.

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DEVAN **DUBNYK**

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DEFENSE The Wild finished with the seventh-best goals-against average in the NHL last season, but they lost Hall of Fame defenseman Scott Stevens behind the bench and will be relying on youngsters Gustav Olofsson and Mike Reilly and veteran journeyman Kyle Quincey to form a reliable third pair.

This is a mobile blueline, but one that lacks grit and size, a concern after losing Scandella, Nate Prosser and Christian Folin. Suter and Spurgeon are minute-munching stalwarts who combined for 78 points last season.

GOALTENDING Devan Dubnyk had a career-high 40 wins. But when the schedule got compacted and Boudreau lost confidence in backup Darcy Kuemper, Dubnyk's workload became onerous and he won three of 13 appearances in the month of March to see his Vezina Trophy hopes vanish. Alex Stalock will get a chance to return to the NHL full-time as a backup, but the Wild had to go with an affordable goalie to challenge him: Niklas Svedberg, the former Bruins depth stopper who spent the past two years in the KHL.

SPECIAL TEAMS Overall, the power play clicked at a franchise-best efficiency last season (21.0 percent). It was great at home (27.4 percent) but abysmal on the road (14.4 percent). Boudreau had a quick trigger finger. If something wasn't working, he wasn't shy to change personnel, bench key players or swap players between units. It'll be interesting to see how the Wild's lack of physicality on the back end hinders a penalty kill that ranked eighth in the league.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
49-25-8 (106 pts)

OT/SO
4-6/3-2

DIVISION
2nd

OVERALL
5th

OFFENSE
3.21 GPG (2nd)

DEFENSE
2.51 GAA (7th)

POWER PLAY
21.0% (9th)

PENALTY KILL
82.9% (8th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.28% (18th)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-13-8 (.575)

2-GOAL GAMES
12-8 (.600)

3+ GOAL GAMES
18-4 (.818)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Mikko Koivu (19:06)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Ryan Suter (26:55)

FAST FACTS

GM
Chuck Fletcher

COACH
Bruce Boudreau

ARENA
Xcel Energy Center

CAPACITY
17,954

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,069 (9th)

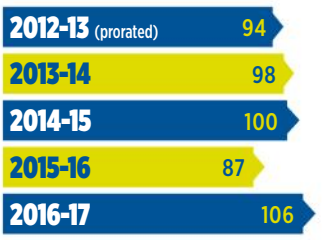
AHL AFFILIATE
Iowa Wild

ECHL AFFILIATE
Rapid City Rush

PLAYOFF RECORD
12-25 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



INTANGIBLES Captain Mikko Koivu and Staal are coming off their best seasons in years and will have to keep the dressing room settled, after frustration once again seeped in late last season. When struggles emerge, the veterans have to keep the longtime returning core from fracturing. Up until March, Minnesota was one of the NHL's best teams. But the Wild didn't enter the playoffs playing its best hockey, which ultimately proved costly.

ROOKIES After getting a taste of the big leagues in 2016-17, Joel Eriksson Ek should make the team and emerge as a Calder Trophy candidate. The captain of Sweden's world junior team had three goals and seven points in 15 NHL games last season. He's a skilled, smart and reliable player who can play on the wing or down the middle. Center Luke Kunin, drafted 15th overall in 2016, also has a shot at cracking the lineup.

X-FACTOR The team's veterans are solid, but the Wild's ability to go where it wants to largely rests on younger players such as Granlund, Niederreiter, Zucker, Coyle and Dumba. All five players had their best seasons last year and need to build on that surge, not get complacent and slip production-wise.

THE BRASS The pressure is on Fletcher. Minnesota signed a half-dozen minor league lifers because it doesn't have many NHL-ready prospects – in large part due to several traded draft picks, including second-round picks in four of the past five years.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Jason Zucker
2 Nino Niederreiter
3 Zach Parise
4 Marcus Foligno
5 Kyle Rau

CENTER
1 Mikko Koivu
2 Eric Staal
3 Joel Eriksson Ek
4 Luke Kunin
5 Cal O'Reilly

RIGHT WING
1 Mikael Granlund
2 Charlie Coyle
3 Tyler Ennis
4 Chris Stewart
5 Kurtis Gabriel

DEFENSE
1 Ryan Suter
2 Jared Spurgeon
3 Matt Dumba
4 Jonas Brodin
5 Kyle Quincey
6 Ryan Murphy
7 Gustav Olofsson
8 Mike Reilly
9 Alex Grant
10 Zach Palmquist

GOALIE
1 Devan Dubnyk
2 Alex Stalock
3 Niklas Svedberg

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Martin Hanzal, C; Jason Pominville, RW; Marco Scandella, D; Erik Haula, C; Alex Tuch, RW; Darcy Kuemper, G; Jordan Schroeder, RW; Tyler Graovac, C

JOEL **ERIKSSON EK**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. JOEL ERIKSSON EK, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Farjestad (Swe.)
Returned from development season in Sweden as a more complete player with higher ceiling.
ACQUIRED 20th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. KIRILL KAPRIZOV, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Ufa (KHL)
A standout at the WJC, skilled winger would be a first-rounder in do-over of 2015 draft.
ACQUIRED 135th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

3. LUKE KUNIN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Wisconsin (Big Ten)
Goal-scoring pivot turned pro after sophomore season and didn't miss a beat in AHL stint.
ACQUIRED 15th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

4. JORDAN GREENWAY, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Stocky power forward is blessed with skill and soft hands. Heading into junior NCAA season.
ACQUIRED 50th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

5. MIKE REILLY, D
AGE 24 **TEAM** Iowa (AHL)
Defensive shortcomings keeping him from getting over hump. He's now on the clock.
ACQUIRED Free agent, July 2015 **NHL** '17-18

6. GUSTAV OLOFSSON, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Iowa (AHL)
Smart, mobile D-man, but injuries have plagued his career. Stayed healthy in 2016-17, though.
ACQUIRED 46th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

7. IVAN LODNIA, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
Versatility and diverse game make him a candidate to play on any line at pro level.
ACQUIRED 85th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

8. CARSON SOUCY, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Iowa (AHL)
Tough, in-your-face defender had solid four-year NCAA career. Ready to advance to AHL.
ACQUIRED 137th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

9. LOUIS BELPEDIO, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Miami-Ohio (NCHC)
Two-way blueliner captained his college team as a junior. Smallish but has an edge.
ACQUIRED 80th overall, 2014 **NHL** '20-21

10. DMITRY SOKOLOV, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sudbury (OHL)
Late-round pick had bust-out campaign that produced almost 50 goals. Good finisher.
ACQUIRED 196th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

IVAN LODNIA

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
85th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Erie

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mikkel Boedker

SCOUTING REPORT
A lack of production in the OHL playoffs may have hurt his stock, but Lodnia will be key player for a rebuilding Erie squad. He's a two-way talent with a variety of skills and skates with great agility.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Devan Dubnyk	5/4/86	Minnesota	65	40	19	5	2.25	.923
Regina, Sask.		*6-6, 213*	*Trade: Ari 1/14/15*					
Steve Michalek	8/6/93	Iowa (AHL)	30	13	14	1	2.63	.919
Hartford, Conn.		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 161st overall ('11)*					
Alex Stalock	7/28/87	Iowa (AHL)	50	23	17	8	2.28	.926
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-0, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					
Niklas Svedberg	9/4/89	Ufa (KHL)	48	14	17	0	2.99	.897
Sollentuna, Sweden		*6-0, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Louis Belpedio	5/14/96	Miami (Ohio) (NCHC)	24	6	11	17	39
Skokie, Ill.		*5-11, 193*	*Draft: 80th overall ('14)*				
Gustav Bouramman	1/24/97	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	66	2	34	36	44
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 189*	*Draft: 201st overall ('15)*				
Jonas Brodin	7/12/93	Minnesota	68	3	22	25	20
Karlstad, Sweden		*6-1, 193*	*Draft: 10th overall ('11)*				
Matt Dumba	7/25/94	Minnesota	76	11	23	34	59
Regina, Sask.		*6-0, 183*	*Draft: 7th overall ('12)*				
Alex Grant	1/20/89	Providence (AHL)	70	17	32	49	36
Antigonish, N.S.		*6-4, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Ryan Murphy	3/31/93	Carolina	27	0	2	2	8
Aurora, Ont.		*5-11, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Gustav Olofsson	12/1/94	Iowa (AHL)	59	6	18	24	32
Boras, Sweden		*6-3, 195*	*Draft: 46th overall ('13)*				
Zach Palmquist	12/9/90	Iowa (AHL)	72	2	19	21	20
South St. Paul, Minn.		*6-0, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/15*				
Kyle Quincey	8/12/85	NJ/Clb	73	6	9	15	51
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-2, 216*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Mike Reilly	7/13/93	Iowa (AHL)	57	5	25	30	48
Chicago, Ill.		*6-2, 193*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Carson Soucy	7/27/94	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	35	3	12	15	55
Viking, Alta.		*6-4, 212*	*Draft: 137th overall ('13)*				
Jared Spurgeon	11/29/89	Minnesota	76	10	28	38	20
Edmonton, Alta.		*5-9, 164*	*Free Agent: signed 9/23/10*				
Ryan Suter	1/21/85	Minnesota	82	9	31	40	36
Madison, Wis.		*6-2, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/12*				
Hunter Warner	9/21/95	Iowa (AHL)	52	2	5	7	57
Cambridge, Minn.		*6-4, 221*	*Free Agent: signed 9/23/14*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Patrick Cannone	8/9/86	Iowa (AHL)	73	9	29	38	26
Bayport, N.Y.		*5-11, 197*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Joel Eriksson Ek	1/29/97	Farjestad (Swe)	26	8	8	16	12
Karlstad, Sweden		*6-2, 197*	*Draft: 20th overall ('15)*				
Landon Ferraro	8/8/91	Chicago (AHL)	22	7	8	15	12
Trail, B.C.		*6-0, 186*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Justin Kloos	11/30/93	Minnesota (Big10)	38	18	25	43	28
Northfield, Minn.		*5-9, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 3/29/17*				
Mikko Koivu	3/12/83	Minnesota	80	18	40	58	34
Turku, Finland		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 6th overall ('01)*				
Luke Kunin	12/4/97	Wisconsin (Big10)	35	22	16	38	30
Chesterfield, Mo.		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 15th overall ('16)*				
Cal O'Reilly	9/30/86	Roc/Tor (AHL)	62	9	41	50	10
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 193*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Eric Staal	10/29/84	Minnesota	82	28	37	65	34
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Christoph Bertschy	4/5/94	Iowa (AHL)	67	11	13	24	30
Fribourg, Switzerland		*5-10, 186*	*Draft: 158th overall ('12)*				
Charlie Coyle	3/2/92	Minnesota	82	18	38	56	36
E. Weymouth, Mass.		*6-3, 221*	*Trade: SJ 6/24/11*				
Marcus Foligno	8/10/91	Buffalo	80	13	10	23	73
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-3, 228*	*Trade: Buf 6/30/17*				
Jordan Greenway	2/16/97	Boston U. (HE)	37	10	21	31	82
Canton, N.Y.		*6-6, 226*	*Draft: 50th overall ('15)*				
Kirill Kaprizov	4/26/97	Ufa (KHL)	49	20	22	42	66
Novokuznetsk, Russia		*5-9, 185*	*Draft: 135th overall ('15)*				
Chase Lang	9/13/96	Quad City (ECHL)	12	4	2	6	4
Nanaimo, B.C.		*6-1, 191*	*Draft: 167th overall ('14)*				
Nino Niederreiter	9/8/92	Minnesota	82	25	32	57	53
Chur, Switzerland		*6-2, 211*	*Trade: NYI 6/30/13*				
Zach Parise	7/28/84	Minnesota	69	19	23	42	30
Minneapolis, Minn.		*5-11, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/12*				
Kyle Rau	10/24/92	Springfield (AHL)	48	10	14	24	32
Eden Prairie, Minn.		*5-8, 178*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Dmitry Sokolov	4/14/98	Sudbury (OHL)	64	48	24	72	8
Omsk, Russia		*5-11, 221*	*Draft: 196th overall ('16)*				
Jason Zucker	1/16/92	Minnesota	79	22	25	47	30
Newport Beach, Calif.		*5-11, 187*	*Draft: 59th overall ('10)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sam Anas	6/1/93	Iowa (AHL)	66	12	16	28	6
Potomac, Md.		*5-8, 163*	*Free Agent: signed 4/15/16*				
Tyler Ennis	10/6/89	Buffalo	51	5	8	13	12
Edmonton, Alta.		*5-9, 175*	*Trade: Buf 6/30/17*				
Kurtis Gabriel	4/20/93	Iowa (AHL)	49	8	2	10	68
Newmarket, Ont.		*6-4, 211*	*Draft: 81st overall ('13)*				
Mikael Granlund	2/26/92	Minnesota	81	26	43	69	12
Oulu, Finland		*5-10, 184*	*Draft: 9th overall ('10)*				
Ivan Lodnia	8/31/99	Erie (OHL)	66	24	33	57	24
Los Angeles, Calif.		*5-10, 182*	*Draft: 85th overall ('17)*				
Zack Mitchell	1/7/93	Iowa (AHL)	62	11	11	22	10
Orangeville, Ont.		*6-1, 184*	*Free Agent: signed 3/4/14*				
Chris Stewart	10/30/87	Minnesota	79	13	8	21	94
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 239*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
64	Mikael Granlund	81	26	43	69	23	12	7	3	4	177	14.7	45	20	16	17	48.5	2:11	1:30	18:49	5	0	2	2	0	2
12	Eric Staal	82	28	37	65	17	34	4	1	8	211	13.3	47	16	577	597	49.1	2:22	1:22	18:36	5	0	1	1	-1	0
9	Mikko Koivu	80	18	40	58	27	34	2	0	4	139	12.9	36	20	938	761	55.2	2:13	1:49	19:06	5	1	1	2	-1	0
22	Nino Niederreiter	82	25	32	57	17	53	8	0	3	186	13.4	43	14	0	1	0.0	2:00	0:00	15:04	5	0	1	1	-2	2
3	Charlie Coyle	82	18	38	56	13	36	4	0	5	159	11.3	47	9	114	134	46.0	2:08	0:21	16:42	5	2	0	2	-1	2
16	Jason Zucker	79	22	25	47	34	30	1	0	3	172	12.8	46	1	1	4	20.0	0:14	0:36	15:17	5	1	0	1	-1	2
29	Jason Pominville	78	13	34	47	2	4	0	0	2	176	7.4	40	7	39	39	50.0	1:07	0:54	14:13	5	0	1	1	1	0
11	Zach Parise	69	19	23	42	-3	30	6	0	4	194	9.8	30	12	8	5	61.5	2:17	1:02	17:25	5	2	1	3	-4	8
20	Ryan Suter	82	9	31	40	34	36	4	1	1	164	5.5	26	12	—	—	—	2:45	2:19	26:55	5	1	2	3	-3	10
19	Martin Hanzal	71	20	19	39	-17	53	5	0	2	169	11.8	30	9	767	593	56.4	2:28	1:21	17:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	51	16	10	26	-15	43	4	0	2	126	12.7	18	8	596	468	56.0	2:58	1:19	18:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Min	20	4	9	13	-2	10	1	0	0	43	9.3	12	1	171	125	57.8	1:12	1:26	15:31	5	1	0	1	-2	0
46	Jared Spurgeon	76	10	28	38	33	20	1	0	2	144	6.9	32	5	—	—	—	2:14	2:10	24:01	5	0	1	1	-1	0
24	Matt Dumba	76	11	23	34	15	59	6	0	1	131	8.4	21	12	—	—	—	2:16	0:36	20:19	5	0	0	0	-1	2
56	Erik Haula	72	15	11	26	5	28	1	0	4	134	11.2	25	1	404	346	53.9	0:12	1:04	13:48	4	0	1	1	-2	0
25	Jonas Brodin	68	3	22	25	5	20	2	0	2	85	3.5	18	7	—	—	—	1:31	1:50	19:34	5	0	1	1	-3	0
7	Chris Stewart	79	13	8	21	3	94	0	0	0	82	15.9	19	2	2	9	18.2	0:09	0:00	10:23	5	0	0	0	0	0
21	Ryan White	65	9	7	16	-16	84	0	0	1	60	15.0	16	0	39	52	42.9	0:03	0:16	10:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ari	46	7	6	13	-8	70	0	0	1	43	16.3	13	0	35	46	43.2	0:02	0:23	10:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Min	19	2	1	3	-8	14	0	0	0	17	11.8	3	0	4	6	40.0	0:06	0:00	9:56	3	0	0	0	0	4
10	Jordan Schroeder	37	6	7	13	5	0	0	0	0	37	16.2	13	0	19	21	47.5	0:00	0:00	9:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Marco Scandella	71	4	9	13	-2	25	0	0	0	88	4.5	13	0	—	—	—	0:16	1:40	18:20	5	0	0	0	-1	2
44	*Tyler Graovac	52	7	2	9	7	10	0	0	2	48	14.6	9	0	163	180	47.5	0:02	0:00	9:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Christian Folin	51	2	6	8	10	26	0	0	0	39	5.1	8	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:57	14:56	2	0	0	0	-2	2
14	*Joel Eriksson Ek	15	3	4	7	1	4	0	0	1	15	20.0	7	0	45	64	41.3	0:05	0:09	10:36	3	0	0	0	0	0
39	Nate Prosser	39	2	5	7	0	12	0	0	0	20	10.0	6	1	—	—	—	0:00	0:35	12:43	3	0	1	1	0	2
27	Zac Dalpe	9	1	2	3	0	9	0	0	0	8	12.5	3	0	27	32	45.8	0:00	0:00	8:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	*Gustav Olofsson	13	0	3	3	-1	2	0	0	0	7	0.0	2	1	—	—	—	0:38	0:03	13:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Mike Reilly	17	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	19	5.3	1	0	—	—	—	1:12	0:01	12:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	*Christoph Bertschy	5	0	1	1	0	4	0	0	0	5	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
63	*Kurtis Gabriel	13	0	1	1	0	29	0	0	0	3	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	5:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Darcy Kuemper	18	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Alex Stalock	2	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	Patrick Cannone	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	11	10	52.4	0:00	0:00	7:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
53	*Alex Tuch	6	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	8	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	*Zack Mitchell	11	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	10	0.0	0	0	11	8	57.9	0:03	0:00	8:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Devan Dubnyk	65	0	0	0	—	10	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	5	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
32	Alex Stalock	2	119	1.51	1	1	0	1	0	3	54	.944	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Devan Dubnyk	65	3,758	2.25	40	19	5	4	5	141	1,842	.923	0	0	10	5	322	1.86	1	4	1	1	10	133	.925
35	Darcy Kuemper	18	1,053	3.13	8	5	3	2	0	55	562	.902	0	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 .....at Det
2. Sat. Oct. 7.....at Car
3. Thu. Oct. 12.....at Chi
4. Sat. Oct. 14..... Clb
5. Fri. Oct. 20..... at Wpg
6. Sat. Oct. 21..... at Cgy
7. Tue. Oct. 24 .....Van
8. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... NYI
9. Sat. Oct. 28 .....Pit
10. Tue. Oct. 31.....Wpg
11. Thu. Nov. 2.....Mtl
12. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... Chi
13. Mon. Nov. 6 .....at Bos
14. Wed. Nov. 8 ..... at Tor
15. Thu. Nov. 9..... at Mtl
16. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at Phi
17. Tue. Nov. 14 .....Phi
18. Thu. Nov. 16 .....Nsh
19. Sat. Nov. 18.....at Wsh
20. Mon. Nov. 20 .....NJ
21. Wed. Nov. 22.....at Buf
22. Fri. Nov. 24..... Col
23. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... at StL
24. Mon. Nov. 27 ... at Wpg
25. Thu. Nov. 30.....Veg
26. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... StL
27. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... at LA
28. Fri. Dec. 8 ..... at Ana
29. Sun. Dec. 10 .....at SJ
30. Tue. Dec. 12 .....Cgy
31. Thu. Dec. 14 .....Tor
32. Sat. Dec. 16.....Edm
33. Sun. Dec. 17 ..... at Chi
34. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... at Ott
35. Fri. Dec. 22..... at Fla
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at TB
37. Wed. Dec. 27..... Dal
38. Fri. Dec. 29.....Nsh
39. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... at Nsh
40. Tue. Jan. 2.....Fla
41. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... Buf
42. Sat. Jan. 6..... at Col
43. Tue. Jan. 9 .....Cgy
44. Wed. Jan. 10..... at Chi
45. Sat. Jan. 13 .....Wpg
46. Sun. Jan. 14 .....Van
47. Sat. Jan. 20 .....TB
48. Mon. Jan. 22..... Ott
49. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at Pit
50. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Clb
51. Fri. Feb. 2 .....Veg
52. Sat. Feb. 3..... at Dal
53. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... at StL
54. Thu. Feb. 8 .....Ari
55. Sat. Feb. 10..... Chi
56. Tue. Feb. 13..... NYR
57. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Wsh
58. Sat. Feb. 17.....Ana
59. Mon. Feb. 19..... at NYI
60. Thu. Feb. 22..... at NJ
61. Fri. Feb. 23..... at NYR
62. Sun. Feb. 25..... SJ
63. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... StL
64. Thu. Mar. 1..... at Ari
65. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at Col
66. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... Det
67. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... Car
68. Fri. Mar. 9 ..... at Van
69. Sat. Mar. 10..... at Edm
70. Tue. Mar. 13..... Col
71. Fri. Mar. 16..... at Veg
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at Ari
73. Mon. Mar. 19.....LA
74. Sat. Mar. 24 .....Nsh
75. Sun. Mar. 25 .....Bos
76. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... at Nsh
77. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... Dal
78. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at Dal
79. Mon. Apr. 2..... Edm
80. Wed. Apr. 4 ..... at Ana
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at LA
82. Sat. Apr. 7.....at SJ

MIKKO KOIVU

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Montreal CANADIENS

BY PAT HICKEY

AFTER FINISHING FIRST in the Atlantic Division, the Canadiens lost to the New York Rangers in the first round of the playoffs last season. A lack of offense was the main reason for the ouster, and GM Marc Bergevin set out to add some scoring.

He sacrificed a potential star defenseman by dealing 2016 first-round pick Mikhail Sergachev to Tampa Bay, but the return was dynamic center Jonathan Drouin, who was immediately signed to a six-year deal. Bergevin lost UFA Alexander Radulov to Dallas and was unsuccessful in his bid to trade for a top center after kicking the tires on Colorado's Matt Duchene and Edmonton's Ryan Nugent-Hopkins.

The Canadiens signed UFA defenseman Karl Alzner after losing Alexei Emelin in the Vegas expansion draft and acquired underrated defender David Schlemko from the Golden Knights. Longtime Habs rearguard Andrei Markov headed to the KHL after he and Montreal couldn't agree on a new deal.

OFFENSE Max Pacioretty has the fourth-most goals in the NHL over the past four seasons, and he's done so without a true No. 1 center. Alex Galchenyuk hasn't shown much defensive aptitude, but he remains Montreal's best option to fill the role of top pivot. He and Drouin will get a shot at the position in training camp.

The additions of Drouin and UFA winger Ales Hemsky might make up for the loss of Radulov, but there are still holes down the middle. Look for second-year winger Artturi Lehkonen to raise his production, but it's too much to hope for another career season from Paul Byron. Center Phillip Danault impressed in his first full NHL season, notching 40 points as the Habs' only player to appear in all 82 games, but the 24-year-old needs to fully establish himself with another productive campaign.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
47-26-9 (103 pts)

OT/SO
11-7/3-2

DIVISION
1st

OVERALL
7th

OFFENSE
2.72 GPG (15th)

DEFENSE
2.41 GAA (4th)

POWER PLAY
19.6% (13th)

PENALTY KILL
81.1% (14th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
52.65% (4th)

1-GOAL GAMES
23-9-9 (.671)

2-GOAL GAMES
6-8 (.428)

3+ GOAL GAMES
18-9 (.666)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Max Pacioretty (19:10)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Shea Weber (25:03)

FAST FACTS

GM
Marc Bergevin

COACH
Claude Julien

ARENA
Bell Centre

CAPACITY
21,287

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
21,288 (2nd)

AHL AFFILIATE
Laval Rocket

ECHL AFFILIATE
Brampton Beast

PLAYOFF RECORD
19-21 (since 2013)

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DEFENSE The Canadiens didn't have enough top-four blueliners heading into the summer. Shea Weber and Jeff Petry return from last season, but Emelin was lost, Nathan Beaulieu was traded to Buffalo for a third-round pick and Markov wasn't happy with Montreal's contract offer.

Alzner will plug one of the holes, but Bergevin admitted it might be defense by committee. Veteran Mark Streit was brought in, Jordie Benn and Brandon Davidson are back and mobile journeyman Schlemko will also be in the mix. Bergevin insists the team's defense corps is improved, but there's no reason to believe him.

GOALTENDING Carey Price may or may not be the league's best goaltender, but he's being paid like he is. Bergevin ensured his franchise netminder would stay in Montreal by signing him to an eight-year extension worth $10.5 million per season, making him the highest-

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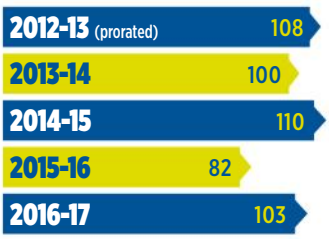
TRENDING

Regular Season Points



paid goalie in NHL history. As long as Price stays healthy, the Habs will be in the playoff hunt. Al Montoya returns as the backup and Charlie Lindgren will continue to develop in the AHL.

SPECIAL TEAMS There were high expectations when associate coach Kirk Muller took over the power play last season, but there was only a slight improvement, which could be traced to Weber's 12 power play goals. Three of the top six power play producers – Radulov, Beaulieu and Markov – are gone. The PK was average but improved after Claude Julien replaced Michel Therrien behind the bench and implemented a more aggressive style. Byron's speed gives the Canadiens a dangerous shorthanded threat.

INTANGIBLES Pacioretty grew into the captain's role last season, and he'll be counted on to help Galchenyuk bounce back from an off year. He'll also be asked to mentor Quebec native Drouin, who will face enormous pressure as he transitions from the anonymity of Tampa Bay to the Montreal fishbowl.

ROOKIES Charles Hudon has a chance to crack the lineup up front, but the addition of free agents Hemsky and Peter Holland will make it difficult. Hudon could eclipse Michael McCarron, but McCarron has a huge size advantage and should earn a spot if a summer skating program pays off.

X-FACTOR The 22-year-old Drouin broke out with 53 points last year, but he can't be expected to singlehandedly turn around the offense. If he and Galchenyuk find chemistry and click offensively, the Habs won't be forced to rely on squeaking out victories on the strength of Price's net heroics.

THE BRASS Julien's defense-first style is similar to that of deposed coach Therrien, but he's a better communicator and that will be important in developing Drouin and Galchenyuk into complete players. Bergevin has taken heat for not finding a center, but his job is safe as long as the Canadiens make the playoffs.

CAREY THE LOAD

GM Marc Bergevin failed to land a top center or upgrade the skill level on defense, so the Habs will yet again lean on former Hart Trophy-winning goaltender Carey Price.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Max Pacioretty	**1** Alex Galchenyuk	**1** Jonathan Drouin	**1** Shea Weber	**6** Brandon Davidson	**1** Carey Price
2 Artturi Lehkonen	**2** Phillip Danault	**2** Brendan Gallagher	**2** Jeff Petry	**7** Jordie Benn	**2** Al Montoya
3 Paul Byron	**3** Tomas Plekanec	**3** Ales Hemsky	**3** Karl Alzner	**8** Jakub Jerabek	**3** Charlie Lindgren
4 Andrew Shaw	**4** Torrey Mitchell	**4** Peter Holland	**4** David Schlemko	**9** Joe Morrow	
5 Jacob De La Rose	**5** Michael McCarron	**5** Nikita Scherbak	**5** Mark Streit	**10** Zach Redmond	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Alexander Radulov, RW; Andrei Markov, D; Nathan Beaulieu, D; Alexei Emelin, D; Mikhail Sergachev, D; Brian Flynn, RW; Nikita Nesterov, D; Steve Ott, C

NOAH **JUULSEN**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. NOAH JUULSEN, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Everett (WHL)
He already has the size, he just needs to add some foot speed and refine the discipline.
ACQUIRED 26th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

2. RYAN POEHLING, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** St. Cloud State (NCHC)
Two-way competitor won't be offensive dynamo, but he's intelligent and mature.
ACQUIRED 25th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

3. NIKITA SCHERBAK, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** St. John's (AHL)
Quick, creative player still working at delivering offense on a more consistent basis.
ACQUIRED 26th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

4. JOSH BROOK, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Moose Jaw (WHL)
Two-way blueliner plays steady, no-nonsense game. Reliable in his own end.
ACQUIRED 56th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

5. JONI IKONEN, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Frolunda Jr. (Swe.)
Small, skilled pivot has a fine array of moves. Rich family bloodlines in hockey.
ACQUIRED 58th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

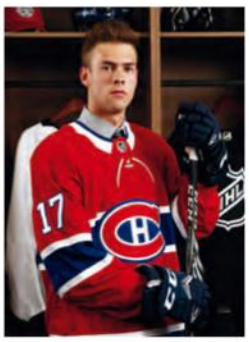
6. ZACH FUCALE, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** Brampton (ECHL)
Had so-so season after getting demoted to lower league, but he ramped it up in playoffs.
ACQUIRED 36th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

7. CHARLES HUDON, LW
AGE 23 **TEAM** St. John's (AHL)
Sub six-footer has posted consistently good stats in three AHL seasons. Needs another gear.
ACQUIRED 122nd overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

8. MICHAEL MCNIVEN, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Owen Sound (OHL)
Late-blooming stopper had career OHL year. Will battle Fucale for ice time in AHL.
ACQUIRED Free agent, 2015 **NHL** '21-22

9. WILL BITTEN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Hamilton (OHL)
Hardworking pivot with decent hands projected to be two-way player on energy line.
ACQUIRED 70th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

10. VICTOR METE, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Despite a lack of size, he has the skill set to be a shutdown defenseman, using his mobility.
ACQUIRED 100th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

RYAN POEHLING

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
25th overall

2016-17 TEAM
St. Cloud State

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Ryan O'Reilly

SCOUTING REPORT
Poehling entered college a year early so that he could play with his older twin brothers. It hurt his stats, but it also provided a great challenge for the two-way center who lives on his smarts.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Zach Fucale	5/28/95	Brampton (ECHL)	46	25	12	2	3.17	.898
Laval, Que.		*6-2, 187*	*Draft: 36th overall ('13)*					
Charlie Lindgren	12/18/93	St. John's (AHL)	48	24	18	6	2.56	.914
Lakeville, Minn.		*6-2, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/16*					
Michael McNiven	7/9/97	Owen Sound (OHL)	54	41	9	4	2.30	.915
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-1, 221*	*Free Agent: signed 9/24/15*					
Al Montoya	2/13/85	Montreal	19	8	6	4	2.67	.912
Chicago, Ill.		*6-2, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					
Carey Price	8/16/87	Montreal	62	37	20	5	2.23	.923
Anahim Lake, B.C.		*6-3, 226*	*Draft: 5th overall ('05)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Karl Alzner	9/24/88	Washington	82	3	10	13	28
Burnaby, B.C.		*6-3, 219*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Jordie Benn	7/26/87	Dal/Mtl	71	4	13	17	28
Victoria, B.C.		*6-2, 200*	*Trade: Dal 2/27/17*				
Simon Bourque	1/12/97	Rim/SNB (QMJHL)	59	15	41	56	58
Longueuil, Que.		*6-0, 184*	*Draft: 177th overall ('15)*				
Josh Brook	6/17/99	Moose Jaw (WHL)	69	8	32	40	61
Roblin, Man.		*6-1, 182*	*Draft: 56th overall ('17)*				
Brandon Davidson	8/21/91	Edm/Mtl	38	0	3	3	20
Lethbridge, Alta.		*6-2, 210*	*Trade: Edm 2/28/17*				
Jakub Jerabek	5/12/91	Vityaz (KHL)	59	5	29	34	56
Pilsen, Czech.		*5-10, 182*	*Free Agent: signed 5/1/17*				
Noah Juulsen	4/2/97	Everett (WHL)	49	12	22	34	38
Surrey, B.C.		*6-2, 175*	*Draft: 26th overall ('15)*				
Brett Lernout	9/24/95	St. John's (AHL)	74	3	13	16	63
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-4, 213*	*Draft: 73rd overall ('14)*				
Victor Mete	6/7/98	London (OHL)	50	15	29	44	14
Woodbridge, Ont.		*5-10, 174*	*Draft: 100th overall ('16)*				
Joe Morrow	12/9/92	Boston	17	0	1	1	8
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 199*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Jeff Petry	12/9/87	Montreal	80	8	20	28	22
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*6-3, 204*	*Trade: Edm 3/2/15*				
Zach Redmond	7/26/88	St. John's (AHL)	26	4	14	18	8
Traverse City, Mich.		*6-2, 208*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
David Schlemko	5/7/87	San Jose	62	2	16	18	14
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 190*	*Trade: VGK 6/22/17*				
Mark Streit	12/11/77	Phi/Pit	68	6	21	27	28
Bern, Switzerland		*5-11, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/25/17*				
Shea Weber	8/14/85	Montreal	78	17	25	42	38
Sicamous, B.C.		*6-4, 232*	*Trade: Nsh 6/29/16*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Daniel Audette	5/6/96	St. John's (AHL)	75	10	20	30	37
Buffalo, N.Y.		*5-8, 176*	*Draft: 147th overall ('14)*				
Will Bitten	7/10/98	Hamilton (OHL)	65	23	34	57	36
Ottawa, Ont.		*5-10, 167*	*Draft: 70th overall ('16)*				
Phillip Danault	2/24/93	Montreal	82	13	27	40	35
Victoriaville, Que.		*6-1, 193*	*Trade: Chi 2/26/16*				
Jacob De La Rose	5/20/95	St. John's (AHL)	62	14	17	31	38
Arvika, Sweden		*6-3, 214*	*Draft: 34th overall ('13)*				
Byron Froese	3/12/91	Tor/Syr (AHL)	54	27	19	46	22
Winkler, Man.		*6-0, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Peter Holland	1/14/91	Tor/Ari	48	5	7	12	22
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Joni Ikonen	4/14/99	Frolunda (Swe Jr.)	40	22	19	41	42
Espoo, Finland		*5-11, 172*	*Draft: 58th overall ('17)*				
Michael McCarron	3/7/95	Montreal	31	1	4	5	41
Grosse Pointe, Mich.		*6-6, 231*	*Draft: 25th overall ('13)*				
Torrey Mitchell	1/30/85	Montreal	78	8	9	17	38
Greenfield Park, Que.		*5-11, 190*	*Trade: Buf 3/2/15*				
Tomas Plekanec	10/31/82	Montreal	78	10	18	28	24
Kladno, Czech.		*5-11, 196*	*Draft: 71st overall ('01)*				
Ryan Poehling	1/3/99	St. Cloud State (NCHC)	35	7	6	13	12
Lakeville, Minn.		*6-2, 183*	*Draft: 25th overall ('17)*				
Andrew Shaw	7/20/91	Montreal	68	12	17	29	110
Belleville, Ont.		*5-11, 179*	*Trade: Chi 6/24/16*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Paul Byron	4/27/89	Montreal	81	22	21	43	29
Ottawa, Ont.		*5-9, 160*	*Waivers: Cgy 10/6/15*				
Alex Galchenyuk	2/12/94	Montreal	61	17	27	44	24
Milwaukee, Wis.		*6-1, 210*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('12)*				
Charles Hudon	6/23/94	St. John's (AHL)	56	27	22	49	52
Alma, Que.		*5-10, 195*	*Draft: 122nd overall ('12)*				
Artturi Lehkonen	7/4/95	Montreal	73	18	10	28	8
Piikkio, Finland		*6-0, 182*	*Draft: 55th overall ('13)*				
Max Pacioretty	11/20/88	Montreal	81	35	32	67	38
New Canaan, Conn.		*6-2, 215*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('07)*				
Chris Terry	4/7/89	St. John's (AHL)	58	30	38	68	36
Brampton, Ont.		*5-10, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Daniel Carr	11/1/91	Montreal	33	2	7	9	6
Sherwood Park, Alta.		*6-0, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 4/24/14*				
Jonathan Drouin	3/28/95	Tampa Bay	73	21	32	53	16
Ste-Agathe, Que.		*5-11, 188*	*Trade: TB 6/15/17*				
Brendan Gallagher	5/6/92	Montreal	64	10	19	29	39
Edmonton, Alta.		*5-9, 182*	*Draft: 147th overall ('10)*				
Ales Hemsky	8/13/83	Dallas	15	4	3	7	0
Pardubice, Czech.		*6-0, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*				
Andreas Martinsen	6/13/90	Col/Mtl	64	3	4	7	32
Baerum, Norway		*6-3, 220*	*Trade: Col 3/1/17*				
Nikita Scherbak	12/30/95	St. John's (AHL)	66	13	28	41	32
Moscow, Russia		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 26th overall ('14)*				

*Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

EXTENDED STATS

TIME ON ICE

2017 PLAYOFFS

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
67	Max Pacioretty	81	35	32	67	15	38	8	1	7	268	13.1	52	13	27	23	54.0	2:43	0:58	19:10	6	0	1	1	-2	7
47	Alexander Radulov	76	18	36	54	10	62	6	0	2	147	12.2	38	16	6	6	50.0	2:50	0:01	18:17	6	2	5	7	0	6
27	Alex Galchenyuk	61	17	27	44	-5	24	6	0	6	104	16.3	29	15	274	368	42.7	2:16	0:02	15:55	6	0	3	3	0	4
41	Paul Byron	81	22	21	43	21	29	0	1	6	96	22.9	38	4	10	5	66.7	0:32	1:58	15:04	6	1	0	1	-3	0
6	Shea Weber	78	17	25	42	20	38	12	0	4	183	9.3	18	22	—	—	—	3:14	2:56	25:03	6	1	2	3	1	5
24	Phillip Danault	82	13	27	40	5	35	0	0	3	133	9.8	37	2	533	498	51.7	0:37	1:06	15:34	6	0	2	2	1	2
79	Andrei Markov	62	6	30	36	18	16	1	0	1	98	6.1	23	12	—	—	—	2:36	1:43	21:50	6	0	1	1	-1	10
65	Andrew Shaw	68	12	17	29	4	110	1	0	1	127	9.4	22	7	239	199	54.6	2:05	0:07	15:12	5	0	0	0	-2	7
11	Brendan Gallagher	64	10	19	29	7	39	1	0	2	187	5.3	26	3	30	44	40.5	2:03	0:02	15:05	6	1	2	3	-3	8
62	*Artturi Lehkonen	73	18	10	28	-1	8	2	1	3	158	11.4	23	4	2	2	50.0	0:55	0:27	13:51	6	2	2	4	-1	2
14	Tomas Plekanec	78	10	18	28	10	24	3	2	3	139	7.2	19	7	692	660	51.2	0:57	1:58	16:49	6	1	2	3	-4	0
26	Jeff Petry	80	8	20	28	3	22	2	0	1	172	4.7	21	7	—	—	—	1:45	1:48	22:06	6	1	0	1	-3	2
28	Nathan Beaulieu	74	4	24	28	8	44	2	0	1	118	3.4	16	12	—	—	—	1:39	0:58	19:28	5	0	1	1	-3	0
17	Torrey Mitchell	78	8	9	17	5	38	0	0	1	68	11.8	17	0	410	342	54.5	0:04	1:49	12:36	3	1	0	1	1	0
89	Nikita Nesterov	48	4	13	17	0	24	1	0	0	63	6.3	15	2	—	—	—	1:08	0:02	16:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	35	3	9	12	-3	20	1	0	0	46	6.5	10	2	—	—	—	1:21	0:02	16:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	13	1	4	5	3	4	0	0	0	17	5.9	5	0	—	—	—	0:34	0:03	15:28	2	0	0	0	-1	0
8	Jordie Benn	71	4	13	17	-4	28	0	0	1	68	5.9	14	2	—	—	—	0:59	2:22	18:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Dal	58	2	13	15	-3	24	0	0	0	59	3.4	12	2	—	—	—	1:12	2:30	18:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	13	2	0	2	-1	4	0	0	1	9	22.2	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:47	16:50	6	0	0	0	-3	6
21	Dwight King	80	9	7	16	-2	12	0	0	1	110	8.2	16	0	4	12	25.0	0:13	1:22	14:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
	LA	63	8	7	15	0	10	0	0	1	89	9.0	15	0	4	9	30.8	0:17	1:33	14:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	17	1	0	1	-2	2	0	0	0	21	4.8	1	0	0	3	0.0	0:02	0:41	12:14	6	0	0	0	-1	0
32	Brian Flynn	51	6	4	10	2	4	0	0	0	47	12.8	10	0	69	80	46.3	0:02	1:30	12:03	1	0	0	0	0	0
74	Alexei Emelin	76	2	8	10	1	71	0	0	0	82	2.4	10	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:34	21:19	2	1	0	1	1	2
43	*Daniel Carr	33	2	7	9	4	6	0	0	1	44	4.5	9	0	2	1	66.7	0:12	0:02	10:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
92	Steve Ott	53	3	4	7	-8	80	0	0	0	45	6.7	7	0	153	125	55.0	0:04	1:43	10:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Det	42	3	3	6	-6	63	0	0	0	33	9.1	6	0	102	74	58.0	0:05	1:57	10:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	11	0	1	1	-2	17	0	0	0	12	0.0	1	0	51	51	50.0	0:01	0:50	11:55	6	0	0	0	0	0
37	Andreas Martinsen	64	3	4	7	-14	32	0	0	0	73	4.1	6	0	3	1	75.0	0:04	0:54	9:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	55	3	4	7	-10	32	0	0	0	59	5.1	6	0	3	0	100.0	0:04	1:03	9:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	9	0	0	0	-4	0	0	0	0	14	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:03	0:00	11:54	2	0	0	0	-1	0
34	*Michael McCarron	31	1	4	5	-4	41	0	0	0	31	3.2	5	0	76	99	43.4	0:26	0:00	9:53	1	0	0	0	-1	0
20	Zach Redmond	16	0	5	5	6	2	0	0	0	12	0.0	5	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:05	12:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Chris Terry	14	2	2	4	-1	4	0	0	0	15	13.3	4	0	1	1	50.0	0:12	0:14	9:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Brandon Davidson	38	0	3	3	-2	20	0	0	0	42	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:52	15:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Edm	28	0	1	1	1	16	0	0	0	29	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:06	15:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Mtl	10	0	2	2	-3	4	0	0	0	13	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:07	0:12	16:37	3	0	0	0	-1	0
54	*Charles Hudon	3	0	2	2	1	2	0	0	0	3	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:24	0:00	11:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Al Montoya	19	0	2	2	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	*Nikita Scherbak	3	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3	33.3	0	1	—	—	—	1:35	0:00	11:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Carey Price	62	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	0	0	0	—	0
36	*Brett Lernout	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:07	18:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Charlie Lindgren	2	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Bobby Farnham	3	0	0	0	0	17	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	1	0	100.0	0:00	0:00	8:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	*Mikhail Sergachev	4	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:20	0:00	12:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	*Joel Hanley	7	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
89	*Ryan Johnston	7	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	9:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Jacob De La Rose	9	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	17	17	50.0	0:00	2:06	10:54	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

2017 PLAYOFFS

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
40	*Charlie Lindgren	2	122	1.48	2	0	0	0	0	3	59	.949	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Carey Price	62	3,708	2.23	37	20	5	6	3	138	1,794	.923	0	1	4	6	387	1.86	2	4	2	0	12	179	.933
35	Al Montoya	19	1,125	2.67	8	6	4	1	2	50	569	.912	0	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... at Buf
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... at Wsh
3. Sun. Oct. 8 ..... at NYR
4. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... Chi
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... Tor
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at SJ
7. Wed. Oct. 18 ..... at LA
8. Fri. Oct. 20 ..... at Ana
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Fla
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... LA
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... NYR
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... at Ott
13. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at Min
14. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Wpg
15. Sun. Nov. 5 ..... at Chi
16. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... Veg
17. Thu. Nov. 9 ..... Min
18. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Buf
19. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... Clb
20. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... Ari
21. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... Tor
22. Tue. Nov. 21 ..... at Dal
23. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at Nsh
24. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... Buf
25. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... Clb
26. Wed. Nov. 29 ..... Ott
27. Thu. Nov. 30 ..... at Det
28. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... Det
29. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... StL
30. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... Cgy
31. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... Edm
32. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... NJ
33. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... at Ott
34. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... at Van
35. Fri. Dec. 22 ..... at Cgy
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at Edm
37. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... at Car
38. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... at TB
39. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... at Fla
40. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... SJ
41. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... TB
42. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... Van
43. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... Bos
44. Mon. Jan. 15 ..... NYI
45. Wed. Jan. 17 ..... at Bos
46. Fri. Jan. 19 ..... at Wsh
47. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... Bos
48. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... Col
49. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Car
50. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at StL
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at Car
52. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... Ana
53. Sun. Feb. 4 ..... Ott
54. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... at Phi
55. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... Nsh
56. Wed. Feb. 14 ..... at Col
57. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... at Ari
58. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... at Veg
59. Tue. Feb. 20 ..... at Phi
60. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... NYR
61. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... TB
62. Mon. Feb. 26 ..... Phi
63. Wed. Feb. 28 ..... NYI
64. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at NYI
65. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at Bos
66. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... at NJ
67. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Fla
68. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at TB
69. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... at Clb
70. Tue. Mar. 13 ..... Dal
71. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... Pit
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at Tor
73. Mon. Mar. 19 ..... Fla
74. Wed. Mar. 21 ..... at Pit
75. Fri. Mar. 23 ..... at Buf
76. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Wsh
77. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Det
78. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at Pit
79. Sun. Apr. 1 ..... NJ
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... Wpg
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at Det
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Tor

SHEA **WEBER**

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Nashville PREDATORS

BY DAVID BOCLAIR

THE PREDATORS ACCOMPLISHED plenty last season. Perhaps most importantly, they drastically altered the perception of the franchise and its place in the NHL landscape. For the first time, they enter the regular season as a team to beat. Nashville's run to the Stanley Cup final might have been unexpected based on their post-season seeding – the Preds finished eighth in the Western Conference and 16th among playoff teams – but no one can say it was a fluke. And no one needs to wonder whether a non-traditional market will support its team in a notable and meaningful manner.

The 2017-18 Predators won't be much different than the 2016-17 version. They will continue to rely on their aggressive, mobile defense corps and a skilled group of young forwards that has the potential to dominate puck possession and wear down opposing teams. They also once again will play in front of a fervent fan base that was as much a part of the playoff story as the team itself.

OFFENSE Viktor Arvidsson tied with Filip Forsberg for the team lead in goals (31) and with Ryan Johansen for the team lead in points (61) last season. Much of the time those three played together as Nashville's first line. Each will still be 25 or younger when the season starts, which means they're likely to get even better as individuals and as a unit.

Scott Hartnell's return provides the sort of toughness and net-front presence that has been lacking in recent seasons. Someone will have to replace James Neal (77 goals over the past three seasons) as a consistent threat on the second line, and management expects free agent center Nick Bonino to make that unit go.

DEFENSE Nothing was more important when it came to the 2017 expansion draft than making sure the top four blueliners – Roman Josi, P.K. Subban, Mattias Ekholm and Ryan Ellis – were retained. Mission accomplished. Not only that, the third pair of Yannick Weber and Matt Irwin will remain unchanged. Anthony Bitetto remains a useful depth defender and the addition of rugged Alexei Emelin, who was acquired in a trade with Vegas, offers a measure of toughness when needed.

There is some question about Ellis' health for the start of the season. He required surgery to address an injury sustained in Game 5 of the Cup final. There is no doubt, however, that this once again will be one of the league's most mobile and dangerous 'D' units.

GOALTENDING Pekka Rinne's playoff performance, particularly in the first round against Chicago and at times against Pittsburgh, quieted talk that it might be time for change – at least for now. The 6-foot-5 stopper has been Nashville's No. 1 for nearly a decade, but this is the first season that will begin with

P.K. SUBBAN

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
41-29-12 (94 pts)

OT/SO
4-8/2-4

DIVISION
4th (playoff wild card)

OVERALL
16th

OFFENSE
2.90 GPG (11th)

DEFENSE
2.68 GAA (15th)

POWER PLAY
18.9% (16th)

PENALTY KILL
80.9% (15th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
51.48% (6th)

1-GOAL GAMES
14-8-12 (.588)

2-GOAL GAMES
13-8 (.619)

3+ GOAL GAMES
14-13 (.518)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Ryan Johansen (18:50)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Roman Josi (25:04)

FAST FACTS

GM
David Poile

COACH
Peter Laviolette

ARENA
Bridgestone Arena

CAPACITY
17,113

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
17,160 (20th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Milwaukee Admirals

ECHL AFFILIATE
Norfolk Admirals

PLAYOFF RECORD
23-19 (since 2013)

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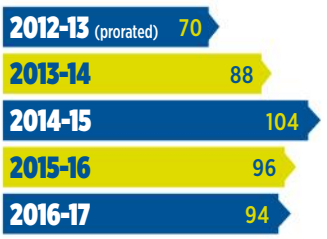
TRENDING

Regular Season Points



his eventual successor – Juuse Saros – clearly identified. Saros stepped up in the latter stages of last season to help keep Rinne fresh for the deep playoff run.

SPECIAL TEAMS Only five teams were on the power play more often in 2017-18, so even if the 16th-ranked PP unit was not as good as hoped, it should be noted that Nashville's skating and aggressive approach created ample opportunities. The penalty kill, which was 15th-best, produced a league-high 12 shorthanded goals, including five from Arvidsson, who led the NHL. The Predators' PK unit was significantly better on the road (83.3-percent efficiency) than it was at home (78.5 percent).

ROMAN'S EMPIRE The Predators' vaunted defense corps boasts four world-class players, none more important than Roman Josi, the group's ice-time leader and top point-producer.

INTANGIBLES It is notoriously difficult for a team to rebound in the season following a Cup final runner-up appearance. With a short summer and a target on their back, the journey back to the post-season tournament will be a grind.

ROOKIES Nashville's playoff run featured some unexpected performances from a host of young players, including left winger Pontus Aberg and center Frederick Gaudreau, both of whom remain Calder-eligible. Aberg played 18 games in the playoffs compared to 15 during the regular season, while Gauthier gained notoriety with two game-winning goals in the final.

X-FACTOR How much confidence did this team gain from its playoff performance? For their entire history, the Predators have felt and acted like a team that is a little brother to a division rival (first Detroit, then Chicago) and others. Now Nashville can tell other teams to take their best shot.

THE BRASS After 34 years as an NHL GM, David Poile no longer has to wonder whether he'll ever guide a team to the Stanley Cup final. As one of four coaches to take three different teams to the final, Peter Laviolette probably figures it won't be long until he makes it back.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Filip Forsberg
2 Kevin Fiala
3 Scott Hartnell
4 Austin Watson
5 Cody McLeod

CENTER
1 Ryan Johansen
2 Nick Bonino
3 Calle Jarnkrok
4 Colton Sissons
5 Vladislav Kamenev

RIGHT WING
1 Viktor Arvidsson
2 Craig Smith
3 Pontus Aberg
4 Frederick Gaudreau
5 Miikka Salomaki

DEFENSE
1 Roman Josi
2 P.K. Subban
3 Mattias Ekholm
4 Ryan Ellis
5 Yannick Weber
6 Matt Irwin
7 Alexei Emelin
8 Anthony Bitetto
9 Alexandre Carrier
10 Jack Dougherty

GOALIE
1 Pekka Rinne
2 Juuse Saros
3 Anders Lindback

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES James Neal, RW; Colin Wilson, LW

DANTE **FABBRO**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. DANTE FABBRO, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
Put up decent numbers as a college freshman, but he projects more as a shutdown defender.
ACQUIRED 17th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

2. EELI TOLVANEN, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Sioux City (USHL)
Amazing shot with a quick release, very shifty and can get into the scoring areas.
ACQUIRED 30th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

3. VLADISLAV KAMENEV, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Milwaukee (AHL)
Smooth-skating playmaker ramping up production. Had brief two-game NHL audition.
ACQUIRED 42nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '17-18

4. SAMUEL GIRARD, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Shawinigan (QMJHL)
Deft playmaking skills from the blueline make him a focal point of his team's offense.
ACQUIRED 47th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

5. YAKOV TRENIN, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Gatineau (QMJHL)
Assertive power forward posted three seasons in 'Q' with 60-plus points. Eager for next test.
ACQUIRED 55th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

6. GRANT MISMASH, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** USA U18 (USHL)
In-your-face pivot who can play physically, but he needs to bulk up. Bound for North Dakota.
ACQUIRED 61st overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

7. PATRICK HARPER, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
It's all about offensive production for skilled flyweight as he heads into sophomore season.
ACQUIRED 138th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

8. ALEXANDRE CARRIER, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Milwaukee (AHL)
Crafty, creative rearguard can makes things happen. Had great rookie AHL season.
ACQUIRED 115th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. JACK DOUGHERTY, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Milwaukee (AHL)
Offensive defenseman with a quick release. Needs to work on strength and mobility.
ACQUIRED 51st overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

10. TOM NOVAK, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Minnesota (Big Ten)
Showed promise coming off his freshman year, but an injury cut his sophomore season short.
ACQUIRED 85th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

EELI TOLVANEN

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
30th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Sioux City

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Nikita Kucherov

SCOUTING REPORT
Academic clearance issues forced Tolvanen out of his plans to play for Boston College, so he'll suit up for KHL Jokerit instead. A sniper with a slick release, Tolvanen needs to become harder to play against.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Anders Lindback	5/3/88	Rogle (Swe)	23	7	15	0	2.63	.916
Gavle, Sweden		*6-6, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Marek Mazanec	7/18/91	Milwaukee (AHL)	47	27	17	3	2.65	.912
Pisek, Czech.		*6-4, 187*	*Draft: 179th overall ('12)*					
Matthew O'Connor	2/14/92	Binghamton (AHL)	37	14	18	2	3.23	.895
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.		*6-6, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Pekka Rinne	11/3/82	Nashville	61	31	19	9	2.42	.918
Kempele, Finland		*6-5, 217*	*Draft: 258th overall ('04)*					
Juuse Saros	4/19/95	Nashville	21	10	8	3	2.35	.923
Forssa, Finland		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 99th overall ('13)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Anthony Bitetto	7/15/90	Nashville	29	0	7	7	25
Island Park, N.Y.		*6-1, 210*	*Draft: 168th overall ('10)*				
Alexandre Carrier	10/8/96	Milwaukee (AHL)	72	6	33	39	45
Quebec City, Que.		*5-11, 174*	*Draft: 115th overall ('15)*				
Jack Dougherty	5/25/96	Milwaukee (AHL)	75	2	11	13	32
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-1, 186*	*Draft: 51st overall ('14)*				
Mattias Ekholm	5/24/90	Nashville	82	3	20	23	34
Borlange, Sweden		*6-4, 215*	*Draft: 102nd overall ('09)*				
Ryan Ellis	1/3/91	Nashville	71	16	22	38	29
Hamilton, Ont.		*5-10, 180*	*Draft: 11th overall ('09)*				
Alexei Emelin	4/25/86	Montreal	76	2	8	10	71
Togliatti, Russia		*6-2, 218*	*Trade: VGK 7/1/17*				
Dante Fabbro	6/20/98	Boston U. (HE)	36	6	12	18	16
Coquitlam, B.C.		*6-0, 189*	*Draft: 17th overall ('16)*				
Samuel Girard	5/12/98	Shawinigan (QMJHL)	59	9	66	75	29
Roberval, Que.		*5-10, 162*	*Draft: 47th overall ('16)*				
Petter Granberg	8/27/92	Milwaukee (AHL)	50	1	5	6	34
Gallivare, Sweden		*6-3, 200*	*Waivers: Tor 11/22/15*				
Matt Irwin	11/29/87	Nashville	74	3	11	14	26
Victoria, B.C.		*6-1, 207*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Roman Josi	6/1/90	Nashville	72	12	37	49	18
Bern, Switzerland		*6-1, 201*	*Draft: 38th overall ('08)*				
Trevor Murphy	7/17/95	Milwaukee (AHL)	75	12	21	33	92
Windsor, Ont.		*5-10, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 9/17/15*				
Andrew O'Brien	11/21/92	SD/Mil (AHL)	42	2	10	12	40
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-4, 208*	*Trade: Ana 1/20/17*				
P.K. Subban	5/13/89	Nashville	66	10	30	40	44
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 210*	*Trade: Mtl 6/29/16*				
Yannick Weber	9/23/88	Nashville	73	1	7	8	25
Morges, Switzerland		*5-11, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Nick Bonino	4/20/88	Pittsburgh	80	18	19	37	16
Hartford, Conn.		*6-1, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Frederick Gaudreau	5/1/93	Milwaukee (AHL)	66	25	23	48	14
Bromont, Que.		*6-0, 179*	*Free Agent: signed 1/5/16*				
Patrick Harper	7/29/98	Boston U. (HE)	38	13	24	37	8
New York City, N.Y.		*5-7, 150*	*Draft: 138th overall ('16)*				
Calle Jarnkrok	9/25/91	Nashville	81	15	16	31	25
Gavle, Sweden		*5-11, 186*	*Trade: Det 3/5/14*				
Ryan Johansen	7/31/92	Nashville	82	14	47	61	60
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-3, 218*	*Trade: Clb 1/6/16*				
Vladislav Kamenev	8/12/96	Milwaukee (AHL)	70	21	30	51	59
Orsk, Russia		*6-2, 194*	*Draft: 42nd overall ('14)*				
Tyler Moy	7/18/95	Harvard (ECAC)	36	22	23	45	20
La Jolla, Calif.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 175th overall ('15)*				
Thomas Novak	4/28/97	Minnesota (Big10)	20	5	9	14	10
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-1, 179*	*Draft: 85th overall ('15)*				
Emil Pettersson	1/14/94	Ske/Vax (Swe)	51	15	23	38	12
Sundsvall, Sweden		*6-2, 164*	*Draft: 155th overall ('13)*				
Colton Sissons	11/5/93	Nashville	58	8	2	10	12
North Vancouver, B.C.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 50th overall ('12)*				
Yakov Trenin	1/13/97	Gatineau (QMJHL)	54	30	37	67	84
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*6-2, 201*	*Draft: 55th overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Cody Bass	1/7/87	Milwaukee (AHL)	13	2	2	4	33
Owen Sound, Ont.		*6-0, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/15*				
Kevin Fiala	7/22/96	Nashville	54	11	5	16	18
St. Gallen, Switzerland		*5-10, 193*	*Draft: 11th overall ('14)*				
Filip Forsberg	8/13/94	Nashville	82	31	27	58	32
Ostervala, Sweden		*6-1, 205*	*Trade: Wsh 4/3/13*				
Scott Hartnell	4/18/82	Columbus	78	13	24	37	63
Regina, Sask.		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Pierre-Cedric Labrie	12/6/86	Rockford (AHL)	52	1	7	8	96
Baie Comeau, Que.		*6-3, 226*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Cody McLeod	6/26/84	Col/Nsh	59	5	1	6	145
Binscarth, Man.		*6-2, 210*	*Trade: Col 1/13/17*				
Grant Mismash	2/19/99	Team USA U18 (NTDP)	65	26	35	61	106
Brooklyn Park, Minn.		*6-0, 186*	*Draft: 61st overall ('17)*				
Miikka Salomaki	3/9/93	Nashville	5	0	0	0	2
Raahe, Finland		*5-11, 203*	*Draft: 52nd overall ('11)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Pontus Aberg	9/23/93	Milwaukee (AHL)	56	31	21	52	40
Stockholm, Sweden		*5-11, 196*	*Draft: 37th overall ('12)*				
Viktor Arvidsson	4/8/93	Nashville	80	31	30	61	28
Skelleftea, Sweden		*5-9, 180*	*Draft: 112th overall ('14)*				
Craig Smith	9/5/89	Nashville	78	12	17	29	30
Madison, Wis.		*6-1, 208*	*Draft: 98th overall ('09)*				
Eeli Tolvanen	4/22/99	Sioux City (USHL)	52	30	24	54	26
Vihti, Finland		*5-10, 170*	*Draft: 30th overall ('17)*				
Austin Watson	1/13/92	Nashville	77	5	12	17	99
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*6-4, 204*	*Draft: 18th overall ('10)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
		EXTENDED STATS																TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
38	Viktor Arvidsson	80	31	30	61	16	28	4	5	6	246	12.6	45	9	4	12	25.0	1:59	1:03	17:09	22	3	10	13	3	19
92	Ryan Johansen	82	14	47	61	1	60	4	1	3	154	9.1	37	23	803	669	54.6	2:55	0:47	18:50	14	3	10	13	12	12
9	Filip Forsberg	82	31	27	58	-4	32	3	3	9	234	13.2	46	9	5	13	27.8	2:37	1:27	18:31	22	9	7	16	14	14
59	Roman Josi	72	12	37	49	7	18	7	0	1	217	5.5	30	18	—	—	—	3:01	2:17	25:04	22	6	8	14	2	12
12	Mike Fisher	72	18	24	42	1	55	7	0	3	120	15.0	25	17	703	577	54.9	2:18	1:47	16:37	20	0	4	4	-6	2
18	James Neal	70	23	18	41	-10	35	5	0	5	202	11.4	28	13	3	3	50.0	2:44	0:03	17:41	22	6	3	9	-8	14
76	P.K. Subban	66	10	30	40	-8	44	3	0	2	142	7.0	23	16	—	—	—	2:36	2:05	24:24	22	2	10	12	5	29
4	Ryan Ellis	71	16	22	38	17	29	4	1	3	140	11.4	24	11	—	—	—	2:11	2:36	23:57	22	5	8	13	4	12
33	Colin Wilson	70	12	23	35	7	18	6	0	0	113	10.6	28	7	16	23	41.0	1:56	0:01	14:57	14	2	2	4	-1	2
19	Calle Jarnkrok	81	15	16	31	-1	25	2	1	1	134	11.2	24	4	452	463	49.4	0:49	1:46	15:43	21	2	5	7	-2	2
15	Craig Smith	78	12	17	29	7	30	2	0	1	155	7.7	26	3	51	60	45.9	1:06	0:00	13:49	10	1	2	3	2	2
11	PA Parenteau	67	13	15	28	-18	35	4	0	2	123	10.6	20	8	6	14	30.0	2:12	0:02	14:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	59	13	14	27	-16	35	4	0	2	109	11.9	19	8	6	13	31.6	2:25	0:02	14:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	8	0	1	1	-2	0	0	0	0	14	0.0	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:36	0:00	12:33	5	0	0	0	0	0
63	Mike Ribeiro	46	4	21	25	-5	14	2	0	0	38	10.5	18	7	183	261	41.2	2:34	0:01	15:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Mattias Ekholm	82	3	20	23	4	34	0	0	1	120	2.5	19	3	—	—	—	1:25	2:15	23:27	22	1	10	11	6	38
51	Austin Watson	77	5	12	17	14	99	0	0	0	90	5.6	16	0	17	25	40.5	0:07	1:43	12:25	22	4	5	9	3	28
56	*Kevin Fiala	54	11	5	16	1	18	0	0	1	114	9.6	16	0	—	—	—	0:49	0:07	13:30	5	2	0	2	0	0
52	Matt Irwin	74	3	11	14	15	26	0	0	1	98	3.1	12	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:13	16:16	22	0	2	2	-1	4
10	Colton Sissons	58	8	2	10	11	12	0	1	1	42	19.0	9	0	192	192	50.0	0:04	0:54	11:07	22	6	6	12	7	16
7	Yannick Weber	73	1	7	8	1	25	0	0	1	72	1.4	8	0	—	—	—	0:09	0:11	11:55	22	0	1	1	0	5
2	Anthony Bitetto	29	0	7	7	-1	25	0	0	0	17	0.0	7	0	—	—	—	0:11	0:16	11:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Cody McLeod	59	5	1	6	-3	145	0	0	0	30	16.7	6	0	0	1	0.0	0:04	0:01	7:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	28	1	0	1	-2	52	0	0	0	12	8.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	5:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	31	4	1	5	-1	93	0	0	0	18	22.2	5	0	0	1	0.0	0:09	0:01	8:19	15	1	0	1	-1	27
24	Brad Hunt	12	1	5	6	-1	2	1	0	0	14	7.1	4	2	—	—	—	0:36	0:14	14:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
	StL	9	1	4	5	-2	2	1	0	0	12	8.3	3	2	—	—	—	0:46	0:00	13:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:07	0:57	17:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Harry Zolnierczyk	24	2	2	4	-2	10	0	0	0	19	10.5	4	0	8	11	42.1	0:00	0:02	8:52	11	1	2	3	3	0
83	Vernon Fiddler	59	2	2	4	-15	66	0	1	0	48	4.2	3	0	370	319	53.7	0:04	1:46	11:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	39	1	2	3	-11	29	0	1	0	37	2.7	2	0	247	226	52.2	0:04	2:06	12:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	20	1	0	1	-4	37	0	0	0	11	9.1	1	0	123	93	56.9	0:03	1:08	10:30	9	1	1	2	-4	25
46	*Pontus Aberg	15	1	1	2	-2	4	0	0	0	12	8.3	2	0	1	0	100.0	0:15	0:00	12:20	16	2	3	5	-1	2
39	*Marek Mazanec	4	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Matt Carle	6	0	1	1	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:38	13:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	*Frederick Gaudreau	9	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	8	0.0	1	0	4	8	33.3	0:02	0:07	8:39	8	3	0	3	2	0
74	*Juuse Saros	21	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	0	0	0	—	0
17	Mike Liambas	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	4:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Trevor Smith	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	8	0.0	0:00	0:00	7:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
73	*Alexandre Carrier	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	*Vladislav Kamenev	2	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	6	7	46.2	0:54	0:00	10:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Adam Pardy	4	0	0	0	-1	6	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:05	10:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Miikka Salomaki	5	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:02	1:07	12:12	6	0	0	0	0	2
16	Cody Bass	9	0	0	0	-1	19	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0:00	0:36	6:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Petter Granberg	10	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:20	9:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Pekka Rinne	61	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	22	0	3	3	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
74	*Juuse Saros	21	1,200	2.35	10	8	3	6	1	47	614	.923	0	1	0	2	57	3.16	0	0	0	0	3	17	.824
35	Pekka Rinne	61	3,568	2.42	31	19	9	9	3	144	1,757	.918	0	0	4	22	1,289	1.96	14	8	3	2	42	599	.930
39	*Marek Mazanec	4	178	4.72	0	2	0	0	0	14	87	.839	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 .....at Bos
2. Sat. Oct. 7.....at Pit
3. Tue. Oct. 10.....Phi
4. Thu. Oct. 12..... Dal
5. Sat. Oct. 14.....at Chi
6. Tue. Oct. 17..... Col
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... at Phi
8. Sat. Oct. 21.....at NYR
9. Tue. Oct. 24 .....Cgy
10. Fri. Oct. 27 .....at Chi
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... NYI
12. Wed. Nov. 1.....at SJ
13. Fri. Nov. 3 ..... at Ana
14. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at LA
15. Tue. Nov. 7 .....at Clb
16. Sat. Nov. 11 .....Pit
17. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... Wsh
18. Thu. Nov. 16 .....at Min
19. Sat. Nov. 18..... Col
20. Mon. Nov. 20 .....Wpg
21. Wed. Nov. 22.....Mtl
22. Fri. Nov. 24.....at StL
23. Sun. Nov. 26.....at Car
24. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... Chi
25. Thu. Nov. 30.....Van
26. Sat. Dec. 2 .....Ana
27. Mon. Dec. 4 .....Bos
28. Tue. Dec. 5 .....at Dal
29. Fri. Dec. 8 .....Veg
30. Wed. Dec. 13 .... at Van
31. Thu. Dec. 14 .....at Edm
32. Sat. Dec. 16..... at Cgy
33. Tue. Dec. 19 .....Wpg
34. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... Car
35. Sat. Dec. 23 .....at Dal
36. Wed. Dec. 27.....at StL
37. Fri. Dec. 29.....at Min
38. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... Min
39. Tue. Jan. 2..... at Veg
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at Ari
41. Sat. Jan. 6..... at LA
42. Tue. Jan. 9 ..... Edm
43. Tue. Jan. 16.....Veg
44. Thu. Jan. 18.....Ari
45. Sat. Jan. 20 .....Fla
46. Tue. Jan. 23 .....TB
47. Thu. Jan. 25 .....at NJ
48. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... Chi
49. Thu. Feb. 1.....LA
50. Sat. Feb. 3..... NYR
51. Mon. Feb. 5 .....at NYI
52. Wed. Feb. 7 ..... at Tor
53. Thu. Feb. 8 .....at Ott
54. Sat. Feb. 10..... at Mtl
55. Tue. Feb. 13..... StL
56. Thu. Feb. 15 .....Cgy
57. Sat. Feb. 17..... Det
58. Mon. Feb. 19..... Ott
59. Tue. Feb. 20.....at Det
60. Thu. Feb. 22..... SJ
61. Sun. Feb. 25..... StL
62. Tue. Feb. 27 .... at Wpg
63. Thu. Mar. 1.....at Edm
64. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at Van
65. Sun. Mar. 4 .....at Col
66. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... Dal
67. Thu. Mar. 8 .....Ana
68. Sat. Mar. 10.....NJ
69. Tue. Mar. 13.....Wpg
70. Thu. Mar. 15..... at Ari
71. Fri. Mar. 16..... at Col
72. Mon. Mar. 19.....at Buf
73. Thu. Mar. 22.....Tor
74. Sat. Mar. 24 .....at Min
75. Sun. Mar. 25 .... at Wpg
76. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... Min
77. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... SJ
78. Sat. Mar. 31..... Buf
79. Sun. Apr. 1..... at TB
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... at Fla
81. Thu. Apr. 5 .....at Wsh
82. Sat. Apr. 7..... Clb

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New Jersey DEVILS

BY ANDREW GROSS

LUCK AND GOOD fortune have been mainly absent from the Devils' universe since their surprising run to the 2012 Stanley Cup final. The hard times continued last season – the second in GM Ray Shero and coach John Hynes' rebuild – as they missed the playoffs for a fifth straight year and finished last in the Eastern Conference. But then, with an 8.5-percent chance of winning the draft lottery, the Devils leapfrogged into the No. 1 slot, a needed jolt for the franchise, which ultimately selected dynamic center Nico Hischier. Still, Hischier is not projected to be a generational talent like recent No. 1 picks Connor McDavid and Auston Matthews.

And even with his selection and the acquisition of top-six forward Marcus Johansson from the Washington Capitals, the Devils' rebuild still has a long way to go.

OFFENSE Two seasons ago, the Devils scored the fewest goals in the NHL. Last season, they had the fewest in the East. Johansson, whose career-high 58 points would've led the team, can only help, as Shero traded for a top-six winger for the third straight summer after previously adding Kyle Palmieri and Taylor Hall. Even with Johansson, the Devils remain thin up front. And depth is a question despite Hischier and fellow prospects Michael McLeod (12th overall in 2016 draft), Blake Speers and John Quenneville pushing for jobs.

Hynes wants more pace in the Devils' game – the given explanation for buying out veteran winger Michael Cammalleri – and, for that, he needs more help from the back end. The defensemen combined for 30 goals last season, 10 more than the previous year.

DEFENSE If depth is an issue up front, it's a crisis on the back end. Team captain Andy Greene, who turns 35 in October, remains the No. 1 defenseman, but a steady top-pair part-

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OFF THE SCHNEID
New Jersey needs franchise cornerstone Cory Schneider to return to form after a forgettable 2016-17 season that saw his numbers plummet along with the Devils' fortunes.

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TAYLOR HALL

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ner has not been found since Adam Larsson was shipped to the Oilers for Hall prior to 2016-17. Damon Severson, 23, had a career-high 31 points but struggled defensively. Likewise, John Moore, with a career-high 12 goals and 22 points, had his defensive issues.

The Devils, needing a right-handed shot, went hard after free agent Kevin Shattenkirk, who opted for his hometown New York Rangers. Steven Santini had a solid rookie season, but there is a lack of defense prospects ready to compete for a spot. Losing 25-year-old Jon Merrill in the expansion draft may hurt.

GOALTENDING No. 1 Cory Schneider, stellar the season previous, struggled through an inconsistent 2016-17, going 20-27-11 with an inflated 2.82 goals-against average and subpar .908 save percentage. The Devils have no chance at improving if Schneider can't rebound. By the end of last season, he and Keith Kinkaid were rotating on a game-by-game basis. Kinkaid, playing a career-high 26 contests, went 8-13-3 with a 2.64 GAA and .916 SP, but he has not yet shown he's ready to be a No. 1.

SPECIAL TEAMS The club's offensive and defensive woes were reflected in special teams. The power play ranked 22nd, while the penalty kill allowed a league-high 12 shorthanded goals and ranked 23rd. Signing center Brian Boyle should improve the PK, but the Devils failed to acquire a quarterback for the power play. Palmieri scored eight of his 26 goals on the PP, while Hall converted seven of his 20 goals on the man advantage. Hischier might help, but little improvement can be counted on without a threat from the point.

INTANGIBLES The coaching staff is looking for Hall to take a bigger leadership role in his second season with the team. His experience of being a No. 1 overall pick can help Hischier's transition to the NHL, and Hall's experience of overcoming the shock of being traded after spending his first six NHL seasons in Edmonton can help Johansson, who was dealt for the first time after spending seven seasons in Washington.

ROOKIES Prospects McLeod, Quenneville (drafted 30th in 2014), Speers (67th in 2015) and Nathan Bastian (41st overall in 2016) will compete for spots up front. On 'D,' undrafted free agent Michael Kapla played five games after finishing at UMass-Lowell.

X-FACTOR It's a simple equation for the Devils: if Schneider plays better, the team will improve. If 20-year-old sophomore center Pavel Zacha takes a leap forward, that will also be a huge boost for the club. Another best-case scenario: Hischier proves he can be a dynamic top-line talent alongside Hall.

THE BRASS Both Shero and Hynes have preached this is not an easy rebuild that can be done with shortcuts. Shero stayed true to that by eschewing longer-term free agent signings that he considers band-aids. Hynes has shown he can work with younger players. He may need to show he can win soon.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
28-40-14 (70 pts)

OT/SO
7-11/3-3

DIVISION
8th

OVERALL
27th

OFFENSE
2.20 GPG (28th)

DEFENSE
2.94 GAA (25th)

POWER PLAY
17.5% (22nd)

PENALTY KILL
79.6% (23rd)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
47.08% (26th)

1-GOAL GAMES
18-10-14 (.595)

2-GOAL GAMES
4-11 (.266)

3+ GOAL GAMES
6-19 (.240)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Travis Zajac (19:43)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Andy Greene (21:56)

FAST FACTS

GM
Ray Shero

COACH
John Hynes

ARENA
Prudential Center

CAPACITY
17,625

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
14,567 (27th)

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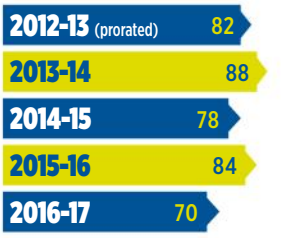
Binghamton Devils

PLAYOFF RECORD
0-0 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Taylor Hall
2 Adam Henrique
3 Miles Wood
4 John Quenneville
5 Blake Coleman

CENTER
1 Travis Zajac
2 Nico Hischier
3 Pavel Zacha
4 Brian Boyle
5 Joseph Blandisi

RIGHT WING
1 Kyle Palmieri
2 Marcus Johansson
3 Stefan Noesen
4 Nick Lappin
5 Blake Speers

DEFENSE
1 Andy Greene
2 Damon Severson
3 John Moore
4 Ben Lovejoy
5 Dalton Prout
6 Mirco Mueller
7 Steve Santini
8 Michael Kapla
9 Brian Strait
10 Yaroslav Dyblenko

GOALIE
1 Cory Schneider
2 Keith Kinkaid
3 Mackenzie Blackwood

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Mike Cammalleri, LW; Jon Merrill, D; Devante Smith-Pelly, RW; Beau Bennett, RW

MICHAEL **McLEOD**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. NICO HISCHIER, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Halifax (QMJHL)
Natural leader rates off the charts in hockey IQ, and he's a world-class stickhandler.
ACQUIRED 1st overall, 2017 **NHL** '17-18

2. MICHAEL McLEOD, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Mississauga (OHL)
His competitive nature and work ethic mesh well with his speed and offensive skills.
ACQUIRED 12th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

3. MIRCO MUELLER, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Albany (AHL)
Well seasoned former Sharks prospect is a ready-to-step-in defensive gem.
ACQUIRED From SJ, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

4. JESPER BOQVIST, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Brynas Jr. (Swe.)
Slick skater has promising offensive instincts. Needs to grow physically.
ACQUIRED 36th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

5. JOHN QUENNEVILLE, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Albany (AHL)
With an AHL All-Star Game nod and a 14-game NHL recall, his confidence level soared.
ACQUIRED 30th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

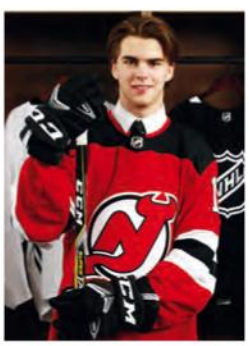
6. JOEY ANDERSON, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Minnesota-Duluth (NCHC)
Not flashy, but freshman showed good hockey sense that led to more time on the PP and PK.
ACQUIRED 73rd overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. BLAKE SPEERS, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Made Devils at 19, but in ultimate return to junior he showed great growth and maturity.
ACQUIRED 67th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

8. NATHAN BASTIAN, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Mississauga (OHL)
Well-built power forward needs increased foot speed at next level. Production flatlined in OHL.
ACQUIRED 41st overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

9. MACKENZIE BLACKWOOD, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Albany (AHL)
Shared the crease in rookie pro season, but he stole the No. 1 job with strong playoff showing.
ACQUIRED 42nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

10. BRANDON GIGNAC, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Shawinigan (QMJHL)
Fearless for a player of his small frame. He needs to get to the harder areas more often.
ACQUIRED 80th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

NICO HISCHIER

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
1st overall

2016-17 TEAM
Halifax

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Joe Pavelski

SCOUTING REPORT
The most exciting thing about Hischier is that we've only seen one year of his work. A dynamic and creative center, he excels in high-pressure situations and can put a team on his back (see: world juniors).

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Ken Appleby	4/10/95	Albany (AHL)	32	17	14	1	2.63	.903
North Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 207*	*Free Agent: signed 10/4/15*					
Mackenzie Blackwood	12/9/96	Albany (AHL)	36	17	14	4	2.55	.907
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 225*	*Draft: 42nd overall ('15)*					
Keith Kinkaid	7/4/89	New Jersey	26	8	13	3	2.64	.916
Farmingville, N.Y.		*6-3, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 4/18/11*					
Cory Schneider	3/18/86	New Jersey	60	20	27	11	2.82	.908
Marblehead, Mass.		*6-3, 205*	*Trade: Van 6/30/13*					
Scott Wedgewood	8/14/92	Albany (AHL)	10	5	3	0	2.18	.912
Brampton, Ont.		*6-2, 195*	*Draft: 84th overall ('10)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Yaroslav Dyblenko	12/28/93	Spartak Moscow (KHL)	51	4	7	11	51
Surgut, Russia		*6-2, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 4/20/17*				
Andy Greene	10/30/82	New Jersey	66	4	9	13	8
Trenton, Mich.		*5-11, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 4/4/06*				
Joshua Jacobs	2/15/96	Albany (AHL)	49	0	9	9	32
Shelby Township, Mich.		*6-2, 200*	*Draft: 41st overall ('14)*				
Michael Kapla	9/19/94	UMass-Lowell (HE)	41	3	27	30	34
Eau Claire, Wis.		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 3/28/17*				
Viktor Loov	11/16/92	Tor/Alb (AHL)	51	2	4	6	49
Sodertalje, Sweden		*6-1, 212*	*Trade: Tor 2/18/17*				
Ben Lovejoy	2/20/84	New Jersey	82	1	6	7	39
Concord, N.H.		*6-1, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
John Moore	11/19/90	New Jersey	63	12	10	22	39
Winnetka, Ill.		*6-2, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Mirco Mueller	3/21/95	San Jose (AHL)	62	2	18	20	22
Winterthur, Switzerland		*6-3, 210*	*Trade: SJ 6/17/17*				
Dalton Prout	3/13/90	Clb/NJ	29	0	6	6	44
Kingsville, Ont.		*6-3, 230*	*Trade: Clb 3/1/17*				
Yegor Rykov	4/14/97	St. Petersburg (KHL)	47	0	9	9	8
Vidnoe, Russia		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 132nd overall ('16)*				
Steven Santini	3/7/95	New Jersey	38	2	5	7	14
Bronxville, N.Y.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 42nd overall ('13)*				
Damon Severson	8/7/94	New Jersey	80	3	28	31	58
Melville, Sask.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 60th overall ('12)*				
Brian Strait	1/4/88	Manitoba (AHL)	58	2	12	14	36
Waltham, Mass.		*6-1, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Colton White	5/3/97	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	64	6	25	31	41
London, Ont.		*6-1, 185*	*Draft: 97th overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jesper Boqvist	10/30/98	Timra (Swe2)	19	3	9	12	0
Falun, Sweden		*6-0, 179*	*Draft: 36th overall ('17)*				
Brian Boyle	12/18/84	TB/Tor	75	13	12	25	66
Hingham, Mass.		*6-6, 244*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Blake Coleman	11/28/91	Albany (AHL)	52	19	20	39	56
Plano, Texas		*5-11, 200*	*Draft: 75th overall ('11)*				
Brandon Gignac	11/7/97	Shawinigan (QMJHL)	59	23	39	62	30
Repentigny, Que.		*5-11, 173*	*Draft: 80th overall ('16)*				
Nico Hischier	1/4/99	Halifax (QMJHL)	57	38	48	86	24
Naters, Switzerland		*6-1, 176*	*Draft: 1st overall ('17)*				
Bracken Kearns	5/12/81	Bridgeport (AHL)	74	23	28	51	43
North Vancouver, B.C.		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Ryan Kujawinski	3/30/95	Albany (AHL)	32	6	6	12	24
Kirkland Lake, Ont.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 73rd overall ('13)*				
Michael McLeod	2/3/98	Mississauga (OHL)	57	27	46	73	49
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-2, 188*	*Draft: 12th overall ('16)*				
Kevin Rooney	5/21/93	Albany (AHL)	71	13	8	21	39
Canton, Mass.		*6-2, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 2/27/17*				
Pavel Zacha	4/6/97	New Jersey	70	8	16	24	19
Brno, Czech.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 6th overall ('15)*				
Travis Zajac	5/13/85	New Jersey	80	14	31	45	33
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 185*	*Draft: 20th overall ('04)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Joseph Blandisi	7/18/94	New Jersey	27	3	6	9	26
Scarborough, Ont.		*5-11, 182*	*Free Agent: signed 1/14/15*				
Taylor Hall	11/14/91	New Jersey	72	20	33	53	32
Calgary, Alta.		*6-1, 201*	*Trade: Edm 6/29/16*				
Adam Henrique	2/6/90	New Jersey	82	20	20	40	38
Brantford, Ont.		*6-0, 195*	*Draft: 82nd overall ('08)*				
Blake Pietila	2/20/93	Albany (AHL)	49	17	16	33	38
Milford, Mich.		*5-11, 200*	*Draft: 129th overall ('11)*				
John Quenneville	4/16/96	Albany (AHL)	58	14	32	46	53
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 30th overall ('14)*				
Ben Thomson	1/16/93	Albany (AHL)	72	6	4	10	90
Brampton, Ont.		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 96th overall ('12)*				
Miles Wood	9/13/95	New Jersey	60	8	9	17	86
Buffalo, N.Y.		*6-2, 195*	*Draft: 100th overall ('13)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Joey Anderson	6/19/98	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	39	12	25	37	8
Fridley, Minn.		*5-11, 192*	*Draft: 73rd overall ('16)*				
Nathan Bastian	12/6/97	Mississauga (OHL)	58	16	29	45	43
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-4, 205*	*Draft: 41st overall ('16)*				
Marcus Johansson	10/6/90	Washington	82	24	34	58	10
Landskrona, Sweden		*6-1, 204*	*Trade: Wsh 7/2/17*				
Nick Lappin	11/1/92	New Jersey	43	4	3	7	17
Geneva, Ill.		*6-1, 174*	*Free Agent: signed 3/8/16*				
Stefan Noesen	2/12/93	Ana/NJ	44	8	2	10	24
Plano, Texas		*6-1, 205*	*Waivers: Ana 1/25/17*				
Kyle Palmieri	2/1/91	New Jersey	80	26	27	53	46
Smithtown, N.Y.		*5-10, 185*	*Trade: Ana 6/26/15*				
Blake Speers	1/2/97	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	30	15	19	34	16
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 67th overall ('15)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
21	Kyle Palmieri	80	26	27	53	2	46	8	1	3	192	13.5	33	19	12	17	41.4	2:38	0:56	17:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Taylor Hall	72	20	33	53	-9	32	7	0	4	238	8.4	38	15	8	10	44.4	2:45	0:16	19:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Travis Zajac	80	14	31	45	-8	33	6	1	1	126	11.1	31	12	884	733	54.7	2:34	2:19	19:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Adam Henrique	82	20	20	40	-20	38	6	2	2	142	14.1	27	10	585	629	48.2	2:27	2:15	18:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Michael Cammalleri	61	10	21	31	-9	21	1	0	3	142	7.0	21	10	17	11	60.7	2:31	0:03	17:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Damon Severson	80	3	28	31	-31	58	0	0	1	125	2.4	18	13	—	—	—	2:16	0:18	20:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	*Pavel Zacha	70	8	16	24	-17	19	5	0	2	83	9.6	11	13	184	273	40.3	1:50	0:42	14:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	John Moore	63	12	10	22	-7	39	1	0	1	102	11.8	19	3	—	—	—	1:11	1:49	18:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Beau Bennett	65	8	11	19	-3	20	1	0	1	101	7.9	17	2	3	13	18.8	1:41	0:01	13:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	*Miles Wood	60	8	9	17	-21	86	2	0	0	105	7.6	13	4	1	1	50.0	1:26	0:01	12:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Andy Greene	66	4	9	13	-16	8	1	1	1	83	4.8	8	4	—	—	—	1:14	3:12	21:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	*Stefan Noesen	44	8	2	10	6	24	0	0	0	63	12.7	10	0	26	41	38.8	0:09	0:22	11:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ana	12	2	0	2	2	2	0	0	0	12	16.7	2	0	21	34	38.2	0:00	0:00	6:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	32	6	2	8	4	22	0	0	0	51	11.8	8	0	5	7	41.7	0:12	0:31	12:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Jacob Josefson	38	1	9	10	-1	16	0	0	1	44	2.3	9	1	162	151	51.8	0:55	0:34	12:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Devante Smith-Pelly	53	4	5	9	-19	12	0	0	0	76	5.3	7	2	29	42	40.8	1:07	1:13	13:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
64	Joseph Blandisi	27	3	6	9	-10	26	1	0	2	24	12.5	4	5	76	93	45.0	1:40	0:01	13:21	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	*Nick Lappin	43	4	3	7	-17	17	0	0	0	57	7.0	7	0	2	5	28.6	0:26	0:16	11:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	*Steven Santini	38	2	5	7	-6	14	0	0	0	46	4.3	7	0	—	—	—	0:02	1:22	16:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Ben Lovejoy	82	1	6	7	-7	39	0	0	1	84	1.2	7	0	—	—	—	0:06	3:15	20:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Jon Merrill	51	1	5	6	-9	24	0	0	0	48	2.1	6	0	—	—	—	0:18	1:29	18:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Dalton Prout	29	0	6	6	-1	44	0	0	0	13	0.0	6	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:53	13:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Clb	15	0	3	3	4	14	0	0	0	6	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:28	13:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	14	0	3	3	-5	30	0	0	0	7	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:15	14:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Yohann Auvitu	25	2	2	4	1	2	0	0	0	54	3.7	3	1	—	—	—	2:05	0:00	15:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Sergey Kalinin	43	2	2	4	-14	15	0	0	0	38	5.3	4	0	72	102	41.4	0:27	1:58	12:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	*John Quenneville	12	1	3	4	1	2	1	0	0	21	4.8	2	2	—	—	—	1:53	0:01	13:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Karl Stollery	11	0	3	3	-5	13	0	0	0	11	0.0	0	3	—	—	—	2:30	0:04	16:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Blake Coleman	23	1	1	2	-7	27	0	0	0	29	3.4	2	0	96	130	42.5	0:03	1:02	12:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	Seth Helgeson	9	1	0	1	2	15	0	0	0	3	33.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:01	13:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
56	*Blake Pietila	10	0	1	1	-5	4	0	0	0	9	0.0	1	0	23	22	51.1	0:01	1:14	13:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Keith Kinkaid	26	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
43	*Ben Thomson	3	0	0	0	-4	4	0	0	0	7	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:00	10:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
74	*Blake Speers	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0:04	1:07	9:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
58	*Kevin Rooney	4	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	10	17	37.0	0:03	0:09	10:11	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	*Michael Kapla	5	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:56	0:21	17:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Luke Gazdic	11	0	0	0	-2	12	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:00	7:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Cory Schneider	60	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	Keith Kinkaid	26	1,476	2.64	8	13	3	4	1	65	778	.916	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Cory Schneider	60	3,473	2.82	20	27	11	9	2	163	1,781	.908	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Col
2. Mon. Oct. 9 ..... at Buf
3. Wed. Oct. 11 ..... at Tor
4. Fri. Oct. 13 ..... Wsh
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at NYR
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... TB
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... at Ott
8. Fri. Oct. 20 ..... SJ
9. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... Ott
10. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... Ari
11. Wed. Nov. 1 ..... at Van
12. Fri. Nov. 3 ..... at Edm
13. Sun. Nov. 5 ..... at Cgy
14. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... StL
15. Thu. Nov. 9 ..... Edm
16. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Fla
17. Sun. Nov. 12 ..... at Chi
18. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at Tor
19. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Wpg
20. Mon. Nov. 20 ..... at Min
21. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... Bos
22. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... Van
23. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... at Det
24. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... Fla
25. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... at Col
26. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... at Ari
27. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... at Clb
28. Fri. Dec. 8 ..... Clb
29. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at NYR
30. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... LA
31. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Mtl
32. Fri. Dec. 15 ..... Dal
33. Mon. Dec. 18 ..... Ana
34. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... NYR
35. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Chi
36. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Det
37. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... Buf
38. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... at Wsh
39. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... at StL
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at Dal
41. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... at NYI
42. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... Phi
43. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... at NYI
44. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... Wsh
45. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Phi
46. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... Det
47. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Bos
48. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Nsh
49. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Buf
50. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... Phi
51. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... Pit
52. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... at Ott
53. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... Cgy
54. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... at Clb
55. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... Bos
56. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... at Phi
57. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Car
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62. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... NYI
63. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... at Pit
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65. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at Car
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72. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... at Ana
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at SJ
74. Fri. Mar. 23 ..... at Pit
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... TB
76. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... Car
77. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... Pit
78. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... NYI
79. Sun. Apr. 1 ..... at Mtl
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... NYR
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... Tor
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Wsh

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New York ISLANDERS

BY MICHAEL WILLHOFT

THE ISLANDERS TOOK a step backward last season, slogging through a disappointing campaign following the franchise's first playoff series win in 23 years. The club fired coach Jack Capuano halfway through the season, finished fifth in the Metropolitan Division and missed the playoffs by a single point.

It's post-season or bust this time around, and the expectation is that the Islanders will return to the run-and-gun style of play that served them well in 2014-15 but has gone missing over the past couple of seasons. Core players Travis Hamonic and Ryan Strome, both drafted and developed by the Isles, were shipped to the Western Conference in off-season trades that netted top-line right winger Jordan Eberle and draft picks.

The twin specters of franchise center John Tavares' impending free agency and a potential arena lease opt-out by Barclays Center or Islanders ownership hang over the team. Unfortunately for fans, neither issue seems like it will resolve quickly.

OFFENSE Tavares led the team in scoring last season with 66 points despite missing the final five games of the regular season due to injury, while Nick Leddy's 46 points were the most among defensemen. Anders Lee scored a team-high 34 goals and Josh Bailey posted career-high totals in assists (43) and points (56) to lend secondary scoring support.

Big-name free agent signing Andrew Ladd was underwhelming in his first season, recording just 31 points after averaging 54 points in each of his previous three seasons. New York needs a stronger performance from Ladd to justify his seven-year, $38.5-million contract, especially with unproven second-year forwards Anthony Beauvillier and Josh Ho-Sang expected to log heavy minutes up front.

NICK LEDDY

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
41-29-12 (94 pts)

OT/SO
6-8/2-4

DIVISION
5th

OVERALL
17th

OFFENSE
2.91 GPG (10th)

DEFENSE
2.90 GAA (23rd)

POWER PLAY
14.9% (28th)

PENALTY KILL
81.9% (11th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
48.06% (24th)

1-GOAL GAMES
15-10-12 (.568)

2-GOAL GAMES
14-7 (.666)

3+ GOAL GAMES
12-12 (.500)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
John Tavares (20:25)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Nick Leddy (22:43)

FAST FACTS

GM
Garth Snow

COACH
Doug Weight

ARENA
Barclays Center

CAPACITY
15,795

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
13,101 (28th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Bridgeport Sound Tigers

ECHL AFFILIATE
Worcester Railers

PLAYOFF RECORD
10-14 (since 2013)

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DEFENSE Islanders defensemen know they're expected to join the rush and get pucks to the net, and that was reflected in last season's point totals from the blueline. New York had five defensemen who scored at least 20 points, tops in the NHL: Leddy (46), Calvin de Haan (25), Johnny Boychuk (23), Dennis Seidenberg (22) and Thomas Hickey (20). That type of balanced production on the back end is indicative of the coaching staff's focus on generating offense from the defense corps.

With Hamonic gone, there's a spot open for right-handed defenseman Ryan Pulock (drafted 15th overall in 2013), which should increase the offensive potential of the group.

GOALTENDING Jaroslav Halak and Thomas Greiss will man the crease for the Islanders following the conclusion of the confusing three-goalie experiment. (Third-string netminder Jean-Francois Berube was selected

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	94
2013-14	79
2014-15	101
2015-16	100
2016-17	94

by Vegas in June's expansion draft and then signed with the Chicago Blackhawks as a UFA.) Both Halak and Greiss are solid, experienced netminders who are pushing for the No. 1 job, a competition that should serve the team well this year.

SPECIAL TEAMS The Islanders' power play is the area of greatest concern after finishing near the bottom of the league last year. The hope is the addition of Pulock's booming slapshot from the point will spread things out and lead to more goals on the man advantage. Newcomer Eberle is an intriguing wild card on the PP. On the penalty kill, New York will continue to use a puck-pressure strategy that relies on a quick skater up high.

OFF THE ISLAND?
Unless John Tavares signs a contract extension, the talk surrounding the Isles this season will focus on the impending free agency status of the 27-year-old franchise center.

INTANGIBLES With Doug Weight's promotion to coach – he'll also keep his title as assistant GM – it will be interesting to see how much the Islanders' style of play changes from past seasons. If the club's 24-12-4 record under Weight in the second half of last season is any indicator, his coaching style fits this group.

ROOKIES Center Mathew Barzal is coming off a WHL championship – as well as being named the WHL's Western Conference player of the year and playoff MVP – and is poised to make the jump to full-time NHLer. Drafted 16th overall in 2015, he had 79 points in 41 games with Seattle last season.

X-FACTOR Ho-Sang must emerge as a bona fide point producer if New York is going to accomplish its goal of making it back to the post-season. Ho-Sang has 50-point talent, and the Islanders need to see that skill on display nightly.

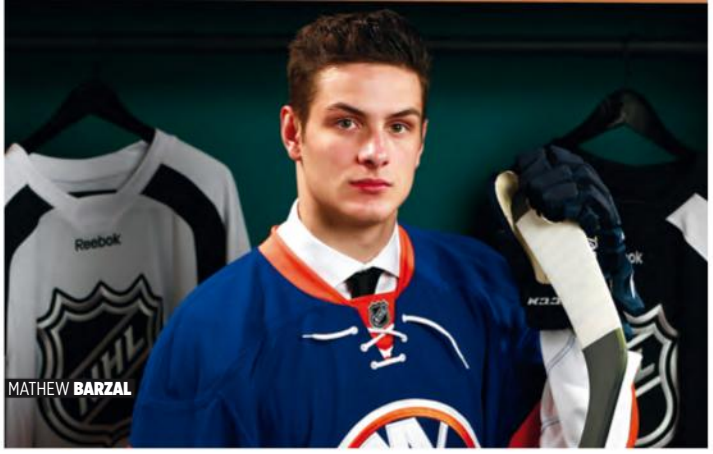
THE BRASS Garth Snow remains president and GM of the club under second-year majority owners Jon Ledecky and Scott Malkin. Although ownership strongly considered overhauling hockey operations last season – going so far as to talk to agents and other GMs about the role of team president – Snow is still the guy in charge.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING	CENTER	RIGHT WING	DEFENSE		GOALIE
1 Anders Lee	1 John Tavares	1 Jordan Eberle	1 Nick Leddy	6 Dennis Seidenberg	1 Thomas Greiss
2 Andrew Ladd	2 Brock Nelson	2 Josh Bailey	2 Johnny Boychuk	7 Adam Pelech	2 Jaroslav Halak
3 Jason Chimera	3 Mathew Barzal	3 Josh Ho-Sang	3 Calvin de Haan	8 Scott Mayfield	3 Kristers Gudlevskis
4 Nikolay Kulemin	4 Anthony Beauvillier	4 Cal Clutterbuck	4 Thomas Hickey	9 Devon Toews	
5 Shane Prince	5 Casey Cizikas	5 Steve Bernier	5 Ryan Pulock	10 Sebastian Aho	

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Travis Hamonic, D; Ryan Strome, C; Mikhail Grabovski, C; Jean-Francois Berube, G


MATHEW **BARZAL**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. MATHEW BARZAL, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Seattle (WHL)
Poised and speedy when the puck is on his stick, he's still refining the rest of his game.
ACQUIRED 16th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. KIEFFER BELLOWS, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston University (HE)
A disappointing freshman NCAA season prompted sniper to take his talents to WHL.
ACQUIRED 19th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

3. ILYA SOROKIN, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** CSKA Moscow (KHL)
KHL's goalie of the year in 2015-16 was almost as impressive last season. Poised and mature.
ACQUIRED 78th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

4. MICHAEL DAL COLLE, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Bridgeport (AHL)
Reinvigored his development with a strong showing in AHL rookie season.
ACQUIRED 5th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

5. RYAN PULOCK, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Bridgeport (AHL)
Booming blast from the point produced 39 goals in 163 AHL games. He's ready for NHL.
ACQUIRED 15th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

6. JOSH HO-SANG, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Bridgeport (AHL)
Creativity and confidence pushing him to succeed the more he's relied upon.
ACQUIRED 28th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

7. DEVON TOEWS, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Bridgeport (AHL)
Quinnipiac alum had breakthrough rookie season in AHL. Strong two-way ability.
ACQUIRED 108th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

8. LINUS SODERSTROM, G
AGE 21 **TEAM** HV71 (Swe.)
Played less than half of Jonkoping's games, with far superior stats than team's other goalie.
ACQUIRED 95th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

9. ROBIN SALO, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Sport (Fin.)
Gained good experience on a bad team in Finland's top league. An impressive skater.
ACQUIRED 46th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

10. PARKER WOTHERSPOON, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Tri-City (WHL)
Improved in each of his four seasons in WHL. Edgy defender needs pro apprenticeship.
ACQUIRED 112th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

ROBIN SALO

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
46th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Vaasan Sport

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jonas Brodin

SCOUTING REPORT
Salo's big selling points are that he's mature and can skate well. He played against men in Finland for most of the past two seasons, with decent results. The only question involves his ceiling – how high is it?

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Christopher Gibson *Karkkila, Finland*	12/27/92	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-1, 188*	7 *Trade: Tor 9/17/15*	6	0	0	2.52	.912
Thomas Greiss *Fussen, Germany*	1/29/86	NY Islanders *6-1, 228*	51 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*	26	18	5	2.69	.913
Kristers Gudlevskis *Aizkraukle, Latvia*	7/31/92	Syracuse (AHL) *6-3, 218*	37 *Trade: TB 7/1/17*	15	10	7	2.65	.897
Jaroslav Halak *Bratislava, Slovakia*	5/13/85	NY Islanders *5-11, 181*	28 *Trade: Wsh 5/1/14*	12	9	5	2.80	.915
Eamon McAdam *Doylestown, Pa.*	9/24/94	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-3, 199*	26 *Draft: 70th overall ('13)*	15	8	0	2.90	.897
Linus Soderstrom *Stockholm, Sweden*	8/23/96	HV 71 (Swe) *6-5, 196*	22 *Draft: 95th overall ('14)*	18	4	0	1.34	.943
Ilya Sorokin *Mezhdurechensk, Russia*	8/4/95	CSKA Moscow (KHL) *6-2, 167*	39 *Draft: 78th overall ('14)*	25	7	0	1.61	.929

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sebastian Aho *Umea, Sweden*	2/17/96	Skelleftea (Swe) *5-10, 176*	50 *Draft: 139th overall ('17)*	10	20	30	10
Johnny Boychuk *Edmonton, Alta.*	1/19/84	NY Islanders *6-2, 227*	66 *Trade: Bos 10/4/14*	6	17	23	19
Kyle Burroughs *Vancouver, B.C.*	7/12/95	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-0, 203*	71 *Draft: 196th overall ('13)*	3	21	24	116
Calvin De Haan *Carp, Ont.*	5/9/91	NY Islanders *6-1, 197*	82 *Draft: 12th overall ('09)*	5	20	25	36
Seth Helgeson *Faribault, Minn.*	10/8/90	Albany (AHL) *6-4, 210*	48 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*	2	7	9	50
Thomas Hickey *Calgary, Alta.*	2/8/89	NY Islanders *6-0, 189*	76 *Waivers: LA 1/15/13*	4	16	20	35
Nick Leddy *Eden Prairie, Minn.*	3/20/91	NY Islanders *6-0, 199*	81 *Trade: Chi 10/4/14*	11	35	46	12
Scott Mayfield *St. Louis, Mo.*	10/14/92	NY Islanders *6-4, 224*	25 *Draft: 34th overall ('11)*	2	7	9	35
Adam Pelech *Toronto, Ont.*	8/16/94	NY Islanders *6-3, 210*	44 *Draft: 65th overall ('12)*	3	7	10	6
Ryan Pulock *Dauphin, Man.*	10/6/94	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-2, 215*	55 *Draft: 15th overall ('13)*	15	31	46	18
Robin Salo *Espoo, Finland*	10/13/98	Sport (Fin) *6-1, 187*	54 *Draft: 46th overall ('17)*	1	15	16	14
Dennis Seidenberg *Schwenningen, Germany*	7/18/81	NY Islanders *6-0, 198*	73 *Free Agent: signed 9/28/16*	5	17	22	32
Devon Toews *Abbotsford, B.C.*	2/21/94	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-1, 181*	76 *Draft: 108th overall ('14)*	5	40	45	18
M. Vande Sompel *London, Ont.*	2/11/97	Osh/Lon (OHL) *5-10, 192*	67 *Draft: 82nd overall ('15)*	20	33	53	35
Parker Wotherspoon *Surrey, B.C.*	8/24/97	Tri-City (WHL) *6-0, 168*	69 *Draft: 112th overall ('15)*	10	56	66	99

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mathew Barzal *Coquitlam, B.C.*	5/26/97	Seattle (WHL) *6-0, 182*	41 *Draft: 16th overall ('15)*	10	69	79	20
Anthony Beauvillier *Sorel-Tracy, Que.*	6/8/97	NY Islanders *5-11, 170*	66 *Draft: 28th overall ('15)*	9	15	24	10
Casey Cizikas *Toronto, Ont.*	2/27/91	NY Islanders *5-11, 201*	59 *Draft: 92nd overall ('09)*	8	17	25	30
Connor Jones *Montrose, B.C.*	8/16/90	Bridgeport (AHL) *5-9, 176*	58 *Free Agent: signed 2/22/17*	5	14	19	89
Brock Nelson *Warroad, Minn.*	10/15/91	NY Islanders *6-3, 206*	81 *Draft: 30th overall ('10)*	20	25	45	36
Alan Quine *Belleville, Ont.*	2/25/93	NY Islanders *6-0, 200*	61 *Draft: 166th overall ('13)*	5	13	18	8
John Stevens *Springfield, Mass.*	4/17/94	Northeastern (HE) *6-2, 184*	25 *Free Agent: signed 3/27/17*	5	23	28	20
John Tavares *Mississauga, Ont.*	9/20/90	NY Islanders *6-1, 211*	77 *Draft: 1st overall ('09)*	28	38	66	38

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kieffer Bellows *Edina, Minn.*	6/10/98	Boston U. (HE) *6-0, 196*	34 *Draft: 19th overall ('16)*	7	7	14	40
Jason Chimera *Edmonton, Alta.*	5/2/79	NY Islanders *6-3, 216*	82 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*	20	13	33	40
Michael Dal Colle *Richmond Hill, Ont.*	6/20/96	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-3, 198*	75 *Draft: 5th overall ('14)*	15	26	41	37
Ross Johnston *Charlottetown, P.E.I.*	2/18/94	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-5, 232*	62 *Free Agent: signed 3/31/15*	8	7	15	135
Nikolay Kulemin *Magnitogorsk, Russia*	7/14/86	NY Islanders *6-1, 225*	72 *Free Agent: signed 7/2/14*	12	11	23	18
Andrew Ladd *Maple Ridge, B.C.*	12/12/85	NY Islanders *6-3, 200*	78 *Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*	23	8	31	45
Anders Lee *Edina, Minn.*	7/3/90	NY Islanders *6-3, 228*	81 *Draft: 152nd overall ('09)*	34	18	52	56
Shane Prince *Rochester, N.Y.*	11/16/92	NY Islanders *5-11, 185*	50 *Trade: Ott 2/29/16*	5	13	18	18

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Josh Bailey *Bowmanville, Ont.*	10/2/89	NY Islanders *6-1, 210*	82 *Draft: 9th overall ('08)*	13	43	56	12
Steve Bernier *Quebec City, Que.*	3/31/85	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-3, 220*	33 *Free Agent: signed 9/17/15*	16	10	26	26
Cal Clutterbuck *Welland, Ont.*	11/18/87	NY Islanders *5-11, 218*	66 *Trade: Min 6/30/13*	5	15	20	28
Jordan Eberle *Regina, Sask.*	5/15/90	Edmonton *5-11, 184*	82 *Trade: Edm 6/22/17*	20	31	51	16
Tanner Fritz *Grande Prairie, Alta.*	8/20/91	Bridgeport (AHL) *5-11, 192*	63 *Free Agent: signed 3/29/17*	19	23	42	30
Joshua Ho-Sang *Toronto, Ont.*	1/22/96	Bridgeport (AHL) *6-0, 173*	50 *Draft: 28th overall ('14)*	10	26	36	24

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
		EXTENDED STATS																TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
91	John Tavares	77	28	38	66	4	38	7	1	3	260	10.8	46	18	824	804	50.6	3:11	0:57	20:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Josh Bailey	82	13	43	56	5	12	3	0	1	173	7.5	44	12	8	7	53.3	2:50	0:26	18:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Anders Lee	81	34	18	52	9	56	9	0	6	191	17.8	38	14	7	11	38.9	2:27	0:01	15:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
2	Nick Leddy	81	11	35	46	-3	12	3	0	1	137	8.0	31	15	—	—	—	3:08	0:47	22:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Brock Nelson	81	20	25	45	-6	36	1	0	4	173	11.6	38	6	346	445	43.7	1:52	0:36	15:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Jason Chimera	82	20	13	33	1	40	0	1	2	121	16.5	32	0	16	18	47.1	0:09	1:11	13:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Andrew Ladd	78	23	8	31	-14	45	3	1	4	142	16.2	25	5	4	6	40.0	2:05	0:50	16:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Ryan Strome	69	13	17	30	-8	40	2	0	2	114	11.4	22	8	147	197	42.7	2:39	0:02	14:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
53	Casey Cizikas	59	8	17	25	9	30	0	0	1	82	9.8	24	1	420	426	49.6	0:08	2:09	13:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Calvin De Haan	82	5	20	25	15	36	1	0	1	116	4.3	23	2	—	—	—	0:37	1:54	19:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
72	*Anthony Beauvillier	66	9	15	24	1	10	0	0	2	101	8.9	23	1	123	174	41.4	0:30	0:03	13:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
86	Nikolay Kulemin	72	12	11	23	3	18	1	1	4	74	16.2	19	2	14	13	51.9	0:09	1:51	13:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Johnny Boychuk	66	6	17	23	11	19	1	1	2	155	3.9	17	4	1	0	100.0	1:49	2:05	20:43	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Dennis Seidenberg	73	5	17	22	25	32	0	0	0	89	5.6	22	0	—	—	—	0:11	1:52	19:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Cal Clutterbuck	66	5	15	20	2	28	0	0	1	115	4.3	19	1	3	5	37.5	0:25	2:04	13:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Thomas Hickey	76	4	16	20	-1	35	0	0	2	87	4.6	17	3	—	—	—	0:40	1:51	17:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Shane Prince	50	5	13	18	-9	18	1	0	2	71	7.0	15	3	4	3	57.1	1:13	0:01	12:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	*Alan Quine	61	5	13	18	-2	8	2	0	1	82	6.1	15	3	264	286	48.0	1:06	0:21	12:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Travis Hamonic	49	3	11	14	-21	60	0	0	0	74	4.1	13	1	—	—	—	0:33	2:18	20:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
66	*Joshua Ho-Sang	21	4	6	10	1	12	1	0	0	22	18.2	8	2	0	2	0.0	2:24	0:00	16:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	*Adam Pelech	44	3	7	10	-5	6	0	0	0	40	7.5	10	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:58	16:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	*Scott Mayfield	25	2	7	9	-1	35	0	0	0	39	5.1	9	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:01	14:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Stephen Gionta	26	1	5	6	9	2	0	0	0	17	5.9	6	0	56	64	46.7	0:06	1:18	11:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Jaroslav Halak	28	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Thomas Greiss	51	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	*Ryan Pulock	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	1:02	0:00	3:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	*Mathew Barzal	2	0	0	0	-2	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	6	7	46.2	0:31	0:00	9:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	Bracken Kearns	2	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	10	7	58.8	0:00	0:00	11:11	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	Connor Jones	4	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	8	5	61.5	0:00	0:26	11:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*J-F Berube	14	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	Thomas Greiss	51	2,813	2.69	26	18	5	1	3	126	1,453	.913	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	Jaroslav Halak	28	1,605	2.80	12	9	5	3	2	75	885	.915	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*J-F Berube	14	527	3.42	3	2	2	3	0	30	271	.889	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 ..... at Clb
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Buf
3. Mon. Oct. 9 ..... StL
4. Wed. Oct. 11 ..... at Ana
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at SJ
6. Sun. Oct. 15 ..... at LA
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... at NYR
8. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... SJ
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Ari
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... at Min
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at Nsh
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... Veg
13. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at Wsh
14. Sun. Nov. 5 ..... Col
15. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... Edm
16. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... at Dal
17. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at StL
18. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... Car
19. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at TB
20. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... at Car
21. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... Phi
22. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... at Phi
23. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... at Ott
24. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... Van
25. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... Ott
26. Mon. Dec. 4 ..... at Fla
27. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... at TB
28. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at Pit
29. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at Bos
30. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... Wsh
31. Wed. Dec. 13 ..... Dal
32. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Clb
33. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... LA
34. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... Det
35. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... Ana
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Wpg
37. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Buf
38. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at Wpg
39. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... at Col
40. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... Bos
41. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at Phi
42. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... Pit
43. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... NJ
44. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... at NYR
45. Mon. Jan. 15 ..... at Mtl
46. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... NJ
47. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... Bos
48. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Chi
49. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... at Ari
50. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at Veg
51. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... Fla
52. Wed. Jan. 31 ..... at Tor
53. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... Clb
54. Mon. Feb. 5 ..... Nsh
55. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... at Buf
56. Fri. Feb. 9 ..... Det
57. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... Cgy
58. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... Clb
59. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... NYR
60. Fri. Feb. 16 ..... at Car
61. Mon. Feb. 19 ..... Min
62. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... at Tor
63. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at NJ
64. Wed. Feb. 28 ..... at Mtl
65. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... Mtl
66. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at Pit
67. Mon. Mar. 5 ..... at Van
68. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Edm
69. Sun. Mar. 11 ..... at Cgy
70. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... Wsh
71. Fri. Mar. 16 ..... at Wsh
72. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... Car
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Pit
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... TB
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Chi
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Fla
77. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... at Ott
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... Tor
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at NJ
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... Phi
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... NYR
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Det

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New York RANGERS

BY STEVE ZIPAY

IN THE SHORT tenure of Jeff Gorton as Rangers GM, changing on the fly has been the strategy. Since he officially replaced Glen Sather in July 2015, Gorton hasn't been hesitant to swing short-term deals, get younger and stay competitive. Only about 10 players from that season's opening-night roster remain.

So, change was inevitable after the Rangers looked stale in the 2017 playoffs and bowed out against Ottawa in the second round. Veteran ironman defenseman Dan Girardi was bought out; Derek Stepan, who spent seven seasons in New York as a top center with a long-term deal, was traded to Arizona along with steady backup goalie Antti Raanta; and, the prize of the free agency market, Kevin Shattenkirk, a native of nearby New Rochelle, N.Y., accepted a discounted deal in order to play at home. Another indicator of the philosophical shift: the Rangers had two first-round draft picks for the first time since 2004, selecting well-rounded centers Lias Andersson (seventh) and Filip Chytil (21st).

OFFENSE Thanks to a strong start, the speedy Blueshirts finished fourth in the league in goals, with production spread over the top three lines. Chris Kreider, Rick Nash, J.T. Miller and Michael Grabner scored 20-plus goals apiece, but no Rangers player reached 60 points. The club believes Mika Zibanejad, the presumptive No. 1 center, can replace the 17 goals and 55 points that Stepan leaves behind. Mats Zuccarello (59 points) brought his game almost every night. But the young guns – Kevin Hayes, Jimmy Vesey, Pavel Buchnevich – need to continue developing.

Nick Holden was a surprise, leading Rangers defensemen with 11 goals, but Ryan McDonagh had just six and Brady Skjei had five. Shattenkirk, 28, should provide a major boost. Only six defensemen have averaged more points per game over the past three seasons.

CHRIS KREIDER

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
48-28-6 (102 pts)

OT/SO
5-2/3-4

DIVISION
4th (playoff wild card)

OVERALL
9th

OFFENSE
3.09 GPG (4th)

DEFENSE
2.63 GAA (13th)

POWER PLAY
20.2% (11th)

PENALTY KILL
79.8% (19th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
48.07% (23rd)

1-GOAL GAMES
23-10-6 (.667)

2-GOAL GAMES
7-10 (.411)

3+ GOAL GAMES
18-8 (.692)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Mats Zuccarello (18:49)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Ryan McDonagh (24:21)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jeff Gorton

COACH
Alain Vigneault

ARENA
Madison Square Garden

CAPACITY
18,006

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,020 (17th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Hartford Wolf Pack

ECHL AFFILIATE
Greenville Swamp Rabbits

PLAYOFF RECORD
36-37 (since 2013)

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DEFENSE Coach Alain Vigneault insists on a quick north-south system that faltered at times. Shattenkirk's arrival and the four-year extension for Brendan Smith, acquired from Detroit at the trade deadline, solidifies the top four, along with McDonagh and the maturing Skjei, who was voted to the NHL's all-rookie team.

Marc Staal and Holden will compete for third-pair roles with righty Anthony DeAngelo, 21, who came in the Arizona trade; Neal Pionk, 22, a sought-after free agent out of the NCAA; and 6-foot-4 Russian prospect Alexei Bereglazov, 23, a shutdown type who played three seasons in the KHL.

GOALTENDING Ideally, Henrik Lundqvist will start 60-plus games and be rested for the playoffs. Last season, he was limited to 57 appearances and struggled at times, posting the lowest save percentage (.910) and highest goals-against average (2.74) of his glittering

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career. On some nights, his reflexes and positioning were off. But with an extended summer break (no World Cup), he's expected to rebound. The experienced Ondrej Pavelec arrives as the backup.

SPECIAL TEAMS Shattenkirk is being counted on to quarterback the power play, which struggled mightily in the playoffs. He has had at least 25 PP points in four consecutive seasons. The last Rangers defenseman to do so was Brian Leetch, one of Shattenkirk's idols, with 26 in 2001-02. Shorthanded, New York tied for 19th in the league with an underwhelming 79.8-percent penalty-killing efficiency.

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ROYAL REGRESS
The Blueshirts made the playoffs but 'King Henrik' didn't play up to his usual level of excellence in 2016-17, posting the worst numbers in his 12 seasons on Broadway.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	96
2013-14	96
2014-15	113
2015-16	101
2016-17	102

Skjei may see more time on the PK and center David Desharnais will help. Grabner and Jesper Fast remain reliable.

INTANGIBLES The early schedule is favorable, like last season, when the Blueshirts built a cushion for the inevitable slowdown in a long season. They play 10 of their first 13 games at Madison Square Garden.

ROOKIES Unlike last season, when freshmen Skjei, Vesey and Buchnevich earned spots, it's questionable whether any first-timer makes the team. Keep an eye on Andersson, a smart and skilled all-around pivot who will get a long look in camp. On defense, Pionk and Bereglazov are next in line.

X-FACTOR At 35, Lundqvist needs to rebound from what was a disappointing season, and it's uncertain whether Pavelec can adequately replace former backup Raanta. Can Shattenkirk spark the power play and the north-south offense? Can Zibanejad, replacing No. 1 center Stepan, put up 60 points?

THE BRASS Owner James Dolan was busy with the NBA's flailing Knicks as Gorton made smaller headlines with continued retooling and a bit of a shakeup. After a year on Vigneault's staff, former AHL assistant coach Jeff Beukeboom was moved to a scouting job, and longtime NHL coach Lindy Ruff was brought in to run the defense. Assistant GM Chris Drury, gaining some power, was named GM of AHL Hartford.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Chris Kreider
2 Jimmy Vesey
3 Pavel Buchnevich
4 Matt Puempel
5 Cristoval Nieves

CENTER
1 Mika Zibanejad
2 J.T. Miller
3 Kevin Hayes
4 David Desharnais
5 Lias Andersson

RIGHT WING
1 Mats Zuccarello
2 Rick Nash
3 Michael Grabner
4 Jesper Fast
5 Adam Tambellini

DEFENSE
1 Ryan McDonagh
2 Kevin Shattenkirk
3 Brady Skjei
4 Brendan Smith
5 Marc Staal
6 Nick Holden
7 Anthony DeAngelo
8 Alexei Bereglazov
9 Neal Pionk
10 Steven Kampfer

GOALIE
1 Henrik Lundqvist
2 Ondrej Pavelec
3 Brandon Halverson

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Derek Stepan, C; Antti Raanta, G; Dan Girardi, D; Oscar Lindberg, C; Brandon Pirri, C; Kevin Klein, D; Adam Clendening, D

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. LIAS ANDERSSON, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** HV71 (Swe.)
Excellent hockey sense, work ethic and plays 200-foot game. Needs to get bigger.
ACQUIRED 7th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

2. IGOR SHESTERKIN, G
AGE 21 **TEAM** St. Petersburg (KHL)
Stole the No. 1 job from a 10-year pro, then lost it in the playoffs. Great stats, anyway.
ACQUIRED 118th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

3. ANTHONY DEANGELO, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Tucson (AHL)
Joins his third NHL organization in three seasons. Showing nice offensive results in AHL.
ACQUIRED From Ari, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

4. ADAM HUSKA, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Connecticut (HE)
Had strong freshman season sharing crease with an outgoing senior. The job is his now.
ACQUIRED 184th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

5. FILIP CHYTIL, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Zlin (Cze.)
Tall, rangy forward has accurate shot and strong work ethic. Projects as third-liner.
ACQUIRED 21st overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

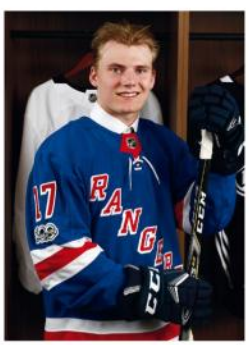
6. SEAN DAY, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
His play picked up after trade from Mississauga. Slow but steady progression.
ACQUIRED 81st overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. RYAN GRAVES, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Hartford (AHL)
Swift-skating blueliner plays stay-at-home game. Needs to unleash his hard shot more.
ACQUIRED 110th overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

8. RYAN GROPP, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Seattle (WHL)
Posted his third 30-plus goal season as WHL overager. Ready to take on next challenge.
ACQUIRED 41st overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. TYLER WALL, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** UMass-Lowell (HE)
Stepped in as freshman and had dynamite season for strong team. Played 37 of 41 games.
ACQUIRED 174th overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

10. TIM GETTINGER, LW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)
Mammoth winger is a huge net-front presence. Good finishing ability from in close.
ACQUIRED 141st overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

LIAS ANDERSSON

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
7th overall

2016-17 TEAM
HV71

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Ondrej Palat

SCOUTING REPORT
The Rangers weren't the only team picking in the top 10 that wanted Andersson, but they struck first so they get the spoils. A fast, competitive two-way force, Andersson is a coach's dream.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Brandon Halverson	3/29/96	Hartford (AHL)	26	9	16	0	3.45	.887
Traverse City, Mich.		*6-4, 212*	*Draft: 59th overall ('14)*					
Adam Huska	5/12/97	Connecticut (HE)	21	7	9	4	2.87	.916
Zvolen, Slovakia		*6-3, 199*	*Draft: 184th overall ('15)*					
Henrik Lundqvist	3/2/82	NY Rangers	57	31	20	4	2.74	.910
Are, Sweden		*6-1, 188*	*Draft: 205th overall ('00)*					
Ondrej Pavelec	8/31/87	Manitoba (AHL)	18	8	7	2	2.78	.917
Kladno, Czech.		*6-3, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Igor Shesterkin	12/30/95	St. Petersburg (KHL)	39	27	4	0	1.64	.937
Moscow, Russia		*6-1, 187*	*Draft: 118th overall ('14)*					
Tyler Wall	1/14/98	UMass-Lowell (HE)	37	26	10	1	2.06	.918
Leamington, Ont.		*6-3, 202*	*Draft: 174th overall ('16)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Alexei Bereglazov	4/20/94	Magnitogorsk (KHL)	60	1	18	19	20
Magnitogorsk, Russia		*6-4, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 4/21/17*				
Sean Day	1/9/98	Mis/Wsr (OHL)	63	15	22	37	24
Leuven, Belgium		*6-2, 231*	*Draft: 81st overall ('16)*				
Anthony DeAngelo	10/24/95	Arizona	39	5	9	14	37
Sewell, N.J.		*5-11, 183*	*Trade: Ari 6/23/17*				
Ryan Graves	5/21/95	Hartford (AHL)	76	8	22	30	69
Yarmouth, N.S.		*6-5, 216*	*Draft: 110th overall ('13)*				
Nick Holden	5/15/87	NY Rangers	80	11	23	34	35
St. Albert, Alta.		*6-4, 214*	*Trade: Col 6/25/16*				
Steven Kampfer	9/24/88	Hartford (AHL)	43	4	15	19	44
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*5-11, 192*	*Trade: Fla 11/8/16*				
Ryan McDonagh	6/13/89	NY Rangers	77	6	36	42	37
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-1, 216*	*Trade: Mtl 6/30/09*				
Neal Pionk	7/29/95	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	42	7	27	34	25
Hermantown, Minn.		*6-0, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 5/1/17*				
Kevin Shattenkirk	1/29/89	StL/Wsh	80	13	43	56	47
New Rochelle, N.Y.		*6-0, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Brady Skjei	3/26/94	NY Rangers	80	5	34	39	42
Lakeville, Minn.		*6-3, 211*	*Draft: 28th overall ('12)*				
Brendan Smith	2/8/89	Det/NYR	51	3	6	9	63
Mimico, Ont.		*6-2, 211*	*Trade: Det 2/28/17*				
Marc Staal	1/13/87	NY Rangers	72	3	7	10	34
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 209*	*Draft: 12th overall ('05)*				
Sergey Zborovskiy	2/21/97	Regina (WHL)	63	7	33	40	64
Moscow, Russia		*6-4, 197*	*Draft: 79th overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Lias Andersson	10/13/98	HV 71 (Swe)	42	9	10	19	18
Smogen, Sweden		*5-11, 198*	*Draft: 7th overall ('17)*				
Filip Chytil	9/5/99	Zlin (Cze)	38	4	4	8	16
Kromeriz, Czech.		*6-1, 178*	*Draft: 21st overall ('17)*				
David Desharnais	9/14/86	Mtl/Edm	49	6	8	14	12
Laurier-Station, Que.		*5-7, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/17*				
Gabriel Fontaine	4/30/97	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	59	23	29	52	37
Montreal, Que.		*6-1, 191*	*Draft: 171st overall ('16)*				
Kevin Hayes	5/8/92	NY Rangers	76	17	32	49	18
Dorchester, Mass.		*6-5, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 8/20/14*				
Vinni Lettieri	2/6/95	Minnesota (Big10)	38	19	18	37	36
Excelsior, Minn.		*5-11, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 3/27/17*				
J.T. Miller	3/14/93	NY Rangers	82	22	34	56	21
East Palestine, Ohio		*6-1, 206*	*Draft: 15th overall ('11)*				
Cristoval Nieves	1/23/94	Hartford (AHL)	40	6	12	18	10
Syracuse, N.Y.		*6-3, 219*	*Draft: 59th overall ('12)*				
Adam Tambellini	11/1/94	Hartford (AHL)	68	13	22	35	22
Port Moody, B.C.		*6-4, 195*	*Draft: 65th overall ('13)*				
Mika Zibanejad	4/18/93	NY Rangers	56	14	23	37	16
Huddinge, Sweden		*6-2, 215*	*Trade: Ott 7/18/16*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Paul Carey	9/24/88	Hershey (AHL)	55	24	31	55	29
Boston, Mass.		*6-1, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Tim Gettinger	4/14/98	Sault Ste. Marie (OHL)	62	31	23	54	27
Cleveland, Ohio		*6-6, 217*	*Draft: 141st overall ('16)*				
Michael Grabner	10/5/87	NY Rangers	76	27	13	40	10
Villach, Austria		*6-1, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Ryan Gropp	9/16/96	Seattle (WHL)	66	35	49	84	26
Kamloops, B.C.		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 41st overall ('15)*				
Robin Kovacs	11/16/96	Hartford (AHL)	72	2	10	12	20
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 186*	*Draft: 62nd overall ('15)*				
Chris Kreider	4/30/91	NY Rangers	75	28	25	53	58
Boxford, Mass.		*6-3, 228*	*Draft: 19th overall ('09)*				
Dawson Leedahl	3/19/96	Regina (WHL)	71	35	54	89	121
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 5/8/17*				
Matt Puempel	1/24/93	Ott/NYR	40	6	3	9	11
Windsor, Ont.		*6-1, 205*	*Waivers: Ott 11/21/16*				
Jimmy Vesey	5/26/93	NY Rangers	80	16	11	27	26
Boston, Mass.		*6-3, 207*	*Free Agent: signed 8/19/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Pavel Buchnevich	4/17/95	NY Rangers	41	8	12	20	13
Cherepovets, Russia		*6-2, 193*	*Draft: 75th overall ('13)*				
Adam Chapie	7/6/91	Greenville (ECHL)	24	4	8	12	16
Oxford, Mich.		*6-1, 186*	*Free Agent: signed 4/1/16*				
Jesper Fast	12/2/91	NY Rangers	68	6	15	21	16
Nassjo, Sweden		*6-0, 190*	*Draft: 157th overall ('10)*				
Rick Nash	6/16/84	NY Rangers	67	23	15	38	26
Brampton, Ont.		*6-4, 212*	*Trade: Clb 7/23/12*				
Malte Stromwall	8/24/94	Hartford (AHL)	44	2	4	6	20
Lulea, Sweden		*6-0, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 4/12/16*				
Mats Zuccarello	9/1/87	NY Rangers	80	15	44	59	26
Oslo, Norway		*5-7, 179*	*Free Agent: signed 5/26/10*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
36	Mats Zuccarello	80	15	44	59	15	26	5	0	3	189	7.9	45	14	6	7	46.2	2:43	0:27	18:49	12	4	3	7	0	16
10	J.T. Miller	82	22	34	56	17	21	2	3	6	132	16.7	45	7	157	200	44.0	1:27	1:15	16:21	12	0	3	3	1	21
21	Derek Stepan	81	17	38	55	19	16	4	1	2	209	8.1	36	18	716	806	47.0	2:32	1:22	18:36	12	2	4	6	-3	4
20	Chris Kreider	75	28	25	53	6	58	6	0	4	186	15.1	40	13	5	4	55.6	2:35	0:01	17:00	12	3	1	4	1	18
13	Kevin Hayes	76	17	32	49	10	18	1	1	4	143	11.9	35	7	442	526	45.7	1:27	1:25	16:33	12	0	3	3	0	4
27	Ryan McDonagh	77	6	36	42	20	37	1	1	1	153	3.9	26	15	—	—	—	3:05	2:21	24:21	12	2	5	7	0	12
40	Michael Grabner	76	27	13	40	22	10	0	1	3	162	16.7	37	0	7	6	53.8	0:04	1:41	14:05	12	4	2	6	4	0
76	*Brady Skjei	80	5	34	39	11	42	0	0	0	127	3.9	32	7	0	1	0.0	1:23	0:17	17:27	12	4	1	5	6	10
61	Rick Nash	67	23	15	38	9	26	6	1	3	195	11.8	28	9	0	1	0.0	2:00	1:12	16:27	12	3	2	5	1	4
93	Mika Zibanejad	56	14	23	37	9	16	4	0	2	119	11.8	26	11	494	456	52.0	2:23	0:42	17:04	12	2	7	9	4	0
22	Nick Holden	80	11	23	34	13	35	3	0	2	84	13.1	29	4	0	1	0.0	0:36	1:42	20:36	11	2	2	4	-3	4
26	*Jimmy Vesey	80	16	11	27	-13	26	5	0	6	116	13.8	19	8	2	5	28.6	1:32	0:00	13:38	12	1	4	5	0	9
19	Jesper Fast	68	6	15	21	6	16	0	0	1	56	10.7	21	0	17	27	38.6	0:06	1:34	13:47	12	3	3	6	4	0
89	*Pavel Buchnevich	41	8	12	20	6	13	1	0	0	55	14.5	17	3	1	6	14.3	1:52	0:00	13:15	5	0	1	1	1	0
24	Oscar Lindberg	65	8	12	20	2	32	0	0	1	86	9.3	19	1	299	276	52.0	0:05	0:08	10:49	12	3	1	4	3	2
73	Brandon Pirri	60	8	10	18	-8	25	5	0	3	96	8.3	9	9	140	103	57.6	2:33	0:00	12:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Dan Girardi	63	4	11	15	8	16	0	1	3	56	7.1	13	0	—	—	—	0:02	2:15	19:06	12	0	2	2	-1	2
8	Kevin Klein	60	3	11	14	5	31	0	0	0	54	5.6	12	1	—	—	—	0:03	1:16	17:38	1	0	1	1	0	0
4	Adam Clendening	31	2	9	11	3	17	1	0	0	38	5.3	9	2	—	—	—	1:28	0:03	15:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Marc Staal	72	3	7	10	9	34	0	0	0	70	4.3	9	0	0	1	0.0	0:02	1:57	19:10	12	0	0	0	-1	2
12	Matt Puempel	40	6	3	9	-11	11	3	0	1	44	13.6	6	3	0	1	0.0	0:41	0:00	9:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
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	NYR	27	6	3	9	-6	4	3	0	1	32	18.8	6	3	—	—	—	0:49	0:00	10:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	Brendan Smith	51	3	6	9	1	63	1	0	1	62	4.8	6	3	—	—	—	0:53	1:52	19:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Det	33	2	3	5	-1	34	1	0	1	39	5.1	2	3	—	—	—	1:21	1:55	18:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NYR	18	1	3	4	2	29	0	0	0	23	4.3	4	0	—	—	—	0:02	1:46	20:09	12	0	4	4	8	20
43	Steven Kampfer	11	1	1	2	-2	6	0	0	0	10	10.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:03	0:07	13:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	1	0	0	0	-1	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:23	0:09	16:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
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32	Antti Raanta	30	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Henrik Lundqvist	57	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	12	0	0	0	—	0
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45	*Magnus Hellberg	2	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Taylor Beck	5	0	0	0	-3	4	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:17	0:00	8:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
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2016-17 REGULAR SEASON														2017 PLAYOFFS										
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
45	*Magnus Hellberg	2	79	1.52	1	0	0	0	0	2	28	.929	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Antti Raanta	30	1,617	2.26	16	8	2	2	4	61	782	.922	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Henrik Lundqvist	57	3,240	2.74	31	20	4	3	2	148	1,650	.910	0	1	0	12	775	2.25	6	6	1	1	29	395	.927

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... Col
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... at Tor
3. Sun. Oct. 8 ..... Mtl
4. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... StL
5. Fri. Oct. 13 ..... at Clb
6. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... NJ
7. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... Pit
8. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... NYI
9. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... Nsh
10. Mon. Oct. 23 ..... SJ
11. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... Ari
12. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at Mtl
13. Tue. Oct. 31 ..... Veg
14. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at TB
15. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Fla
16. Mon. Nov. 6 ..... Clb
17. Wed. Nov. 8 ..... Bos
18. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Edm
19. Wed. Nov. 15 ..... at Chi
20. Fri. Nov. 17 ..... at Clb
21. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... Ott
22. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at Car
23. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... Det
24. Sun. Nov. 26 ..... Van
25. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... Fla
26. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... Car
27. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... at Pit
28. Fri. Dec. 8 ..... at Wsh
29. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... NJ
30. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... Dal
31. Wed. Dec. 13 ..... at Ott
32. Fri. Dec. 15 ..... LA
33. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... at Bos
34. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... Ana
35. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... at NJ
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Tor
37. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Wsh
38. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at Det
39. Mon. Jan. 1 ..... at Buf
40. Wed. Jan. 3 ..... Chi
41. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... at Ari
42. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... at Veg
43. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... NYI
44. Sun. Jan. 14 ..... at Pit
45. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... Phi
46. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... Buf
47. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Col
48. Sun. Jan. 21 ..... at LA
49. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Ana
50. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at SJ
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... Tor
52. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at Nsh
53. Mon. Feb. 5 ..... at Dal
54. Wed. Feb. 7 ..... Bos
55. Fri. Feb. 9 ..... Cgy
56. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... at Wpg
57. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... at Min
58. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... at NYI
59. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... at Ott
60. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... Phi
61. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... at Mtl
62. Fri. Feb. 23 ..... Min
63. Sun. Feb. 25 ..... Det
64. Wed. Feb. 28 ..... at Van
65. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at Cgy
66. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at Edm
67. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... Wpg
68. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at TB
69. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at Fla
70. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... Car
71. Wed. Mar. 14 ..... Pit
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at StL
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Clb
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... at Phi
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Buf
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Wsh
77. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... at Wsh
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... TB
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at Car
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... at NJ
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at NYI
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Phi

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Ottawa SENATORS

BY BRUCE GARRIOCH

THE SENATORS WENT above and beyond expectations last season. Now, what do they do for an encore? After advancing to the Eastern Conference final for the first time in a decade before dropping a 3-2 double overtime decision to Stanley Cup-champion Pittsburgh in Game 7, Ottawa won't take anyone by surprise.

In their first year under coach Guy Boucher, the Senators bought into the program and overcame their share of adversity to have a season not many will soon forget. GM Pierre Dorion, who did an exhaustive coaching search before settling on Boucher, declared his steadfast belief in the Senators by telling anybody who would listen that this team was a contender and the goal in the summer was simply to minimize the changes. Dorion believes if all goes well, the Sens will find a way to take the next step.

OFFENSE The Senators relied on Boucher's system and that attitude won't change in 2017-18. There's no question Erik Karlsson is the straw that stirs the drink, but the Sens have plenty of firepower up front. Center Kyle Turris, who had 27 goals and 55 points last season, doesn't get nearly enough credit for what he brings to the table, while sharpshooter Mike Hoffman was second on the team in goals with 26.

Ottawa needs more consistency from its top-six forwards. Mark Stone was virtually non-existent in the playoffs while Bobby Ryan and Derick Brassard both turned around their difficult years by stepping up in the post-season. After missing nearly two full seasons due to concussion issues, left winger Clarke MacArthur is healthy and could bring more goals.

DEFENSE The departure of Marc Methot as part of the expansion process – the physical defender was selected by Vegas and then traded to Dallas – raises the question of who will play alongside Karlsson.

It could be done by committee. Veteran blueliner Dion Phaneuf, who has played mostly with Cody Ceci since arriving in Ottawa, will get a chance, as will UFA signing Johnny Oduya. Rookie Thomas Chabot will get a look in training camp as well. Karlsson played with Fredrik Claesson when Methot was injured last season. For a while it may be a game of musical chairs.

CRAIG ANDERSON

GOALTENDING Craig Anderson had the kind of season they make movies about. With his wife, Nicholle, battling a rare form of throat cancer, Anderson – who won the Masterton Trophy for perseverance and dedication – brought his focus to the rink every night and played a huge role in the club's success. The 36-year-old Anderson, who left the team for two months to be with Nicholle, finished with a 2.28 goals-against average and a .926

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2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
44-28-10 (98 pts)

OT/SO
4-6/6-4

DIVISION
2nd

OVERALL
12th

OFFENSE
2.51 GPG (22nd)

DEFENSE
2.56 GAA (10th)

POWER PLAY
17.0% (23rd)

PENALTY KILL
79.7% (22nd)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
48.43% (22nd)

1-GOAL GAMES
21-9-10 (.650)

2-GOAL GAMES
13-5 (.722)

3+ GOAL GAMES
10-14 (.416)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Kyle Turris (19:30)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Erik Karlsson (26:50)

FAST FACTS

GM
Pierre Dorion

COACH
Guy Boucher

ARENA
Canadian Tire Centre

CAPACITY
19,153

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
16,745 (21st)

AHL AFFILIATE
Belleville Senators

PLAYOFF RECORD
18-17 (since 2013)

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save percentage. Backup Mike Condon did a solid job filling in during Anderson's absence and signed a three-year, $7.2-million deal in the off-season. At some point, perhaps as soon as this season, Condon is expected to take over the No. 1 job.

SPECIAL TEAMS Boucher is supposed to be a power play expert, but the Senators ranked 23rd last season. It was even worse in the playoffs, where Ottawa ranked 14th out of 16 teams. For a team that has Karlsson running the show from the back end, it was tough to watch. The PK wasn't much better, finishing 22nd overall.

RED ROVER
Part of what makes Erik Karlsson a generational talent is his ability to act as a de facto fourth forward without compromising his duties in the defensive end.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	96
2013-14	88
2014-15	99
2015-16	85
2016-17	98

There's no new personnel to help out, so players must step up or the system must change.

INTANGIBLES It'll be interesting to see where Phaneuf stands once training camp gets underway. He had every right to refuse to waive his no-movement clause and not be exposed in the expansion draft, but the Senators lost Methot as a result. Dorion confirmed he listened to offers on Phaneuf. An alternate captain, Phaneuf plays a big role on the team and some fences may have to be mended.

ROOKIES All eyes will be on Chabot. He made the team out of training camp last year but only suited up for one game before being sent back to junior. He was excellent at the world juniors for Team Canada and helped lead the QMJHL's Saint John Sea Dogs to a QMJHL title. He could play on one of the Sens' top two defense pairings this season.

X-FACTOR Will Boucher's system and the club's superb netminding hold up for a Senators squad that was the only team to qualify for the post-season with a negative goal differential? Brassard, an integral part of the forward group, had off-season shoulder surgery and may not be ready to start the year.

THE BRASS Owner Eugene Melnyk expects the Senators to make the playoffs every spring and that's not going to change this year. Dorion, heading into his second season as GM, helped the team by adding at the trade deadline, but he had a quiet summer.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Mike Hoffman
2 Ryan Dzingel
3 Zack Smith
4 Clarke MacArthur
5 Max McCormick

CENTER
1 Kyle Turris
2 Derick Brassard
3 Jean-Gabriel Pageau
4 Colin White
5 Nate Thompson

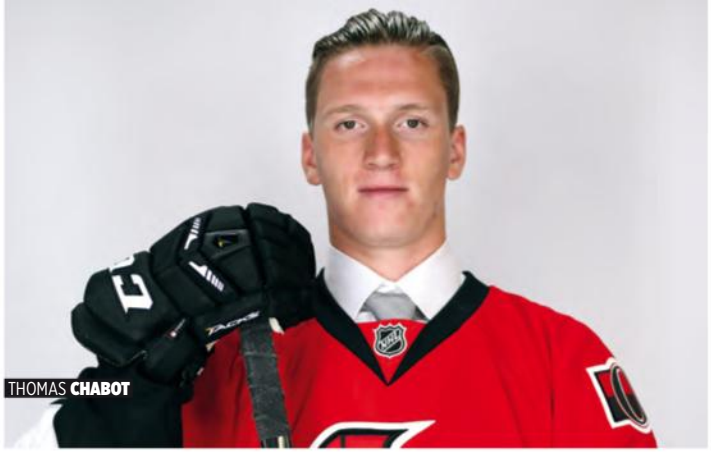
RIGHT WING
1 Mark Stone
2 Bobby Ryan
3 Alexandre Burrows
4 Tom Pyatt
5 Mike Blunden

DEFENSE
1 Erik Karlsson
2 Cody Ceci
3 Dion Phaneuf
4 Thomas Chabot
5 Johnny Oduya
6 Fredrik Claesson
7 Chris Wideman
8 Mark Borowiecki
9 Ben Harpur
10 Andreas Englund

GOALIE
1 Craig Anderson
2 Mike Condon
3 Andrew Hammond

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Marc Methot, D; Tommy Wingels, LW



THOMAS **CHABOT**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. THOMAS CHABOT, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Saint John (QMHJL)
Chabot won MVP playing for Canada at the WJC and elevates his game under pressure.
ACQUIRED 18th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. COLIN WHITE, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Boston College (HE)
His stats sagged as NCAA sophomore, but he looked sharp in six pro games afterward.
ACQUIRED 21st overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

3. LOGAN BROWN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Towering center was limited to 35 games due to injuries. Capped season with Memorial Cup.
ACQUIRED 11th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. SHANE BOWERS, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Waterloo (USHL)
Competitive goal-scorer plays 200-foot game. Good hockey sense but not explosive.
ACQUIRED 28th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

5. NICK PAUL, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** Binghamton (AHL)
Big-bodied power forward showed improved production. Best suited for fourth line.
ACQUIRED 101st overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

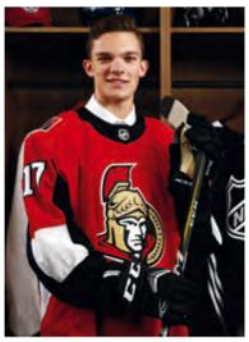
6. FILIP CHLAPIK, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Charlottetown (QMJHL)
Rangy forward rebounded from dismal 2015-16 to post another 30-plus goal season.
ACQUIRED 48th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

7. ALEX FORMENTON, LW
AGE 18 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Powerful skater has sandpaper in his game, but he needs to fill out. Bottom-six energy guy.
ACQUIRED 47th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

8. ANDREAS ENGLUND, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Binghamton (AHL)
A tough blueliner who isn't afraid to drop the gloves. Very limited offensive upside.
ACQUIRED 40th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

9. FRANCIS PERRON, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Binghamton (AHL)
Rookie pro season was a real eye-opener for crafty former 108-point junior scorer.
ACQUIRED 190th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

10. FILIP AHL, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Rookie WHL season at 19 was a learning experience. Needs to be more competitive.
ACQUIRED 109th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

SHANE BOWERS

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
28th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Waterloo

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jordan Staal

SCOUTING REPORT
Bowers put up respectable numbers while playing a responsible, competitive game for a solid Waterloo team in the USHL. His ceiling may not be sky-high, but the Boston U. commit has pro habits.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Craig Anderson	5/21/81	Ottawa	40	25	11	4	2.28	.926
Park Ridge, Ill.		*6-2, 187*	*Trade: Col 2/18/11*					
Mike Condon	4/27/90	Pit/Ott	41	19	14	6	2.48	.914
Holliston, Mass.		*6-2, 197*	*Trade: Pit 11/2/16*					
Andrew Hammond	2/11/88	Ottawa	6	0	2	0	4.08	.837
Surrey, B.C.		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 3/20/13*					
Marcus Hogberg	11/25/94	Linkoping (Swe)	33	19	14	0	1.89	.932
Orebro, Sweden		*6-5, 209*	*Draft: 78th overall ('13)*					
Danny Taylor	4/28/86	Zagreb/Nov. (KHL)	46	19	16	0	1.94	.936
Plymouth, England		*6-0, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mark Borowiecki	7/12/89	Ottawa	70	1	2	3	154
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-1, 216*	*Draft: 139th overall ('08)*				
Cody Ceci	12/21/93	Ottawa	79	2	15	17	20
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 15th overall ('12)*				
Thomas Chabot	1/30/97	Saint John (QMJHL)	34	10	35	45	43
Sainte-Marie, Que.		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 18th overall ('15)*				
Fredrik Claesson	11/24/92	Ottawa	33	3	8	11	4
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 126th overall ('11)*				
Cody Donaghey	5/10/96	Cha/She (QMJHL)	52	11	29	40	39
St. John's, Nfld.		*6-1, 189*	*Trade: Tor 2/9/16*				
Andreas Englund	1/21/96	Binghamton (AHL)	69	3	7	10	82
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-3, 189*	*Draft: 40th overall ('14)*				
Ben Harpur	1/12/95	Binghamton (AHL)	63	2	25	27	81
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-6, 222*	*Draft: 108th overall ('13)*				
Erik Karlsson	5/31/90	Ottawa	77	17	54	71	28
Landsbro, Sweden		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 15th overall ('08)*				
Maxime Lajoie	11/5/97	Swift Current (WHL)	68	7	35	42	26
Quebec City, Que.		*6-1, 183*	*Draft: 133rd overall ('16)*				
Johnny Oduya	10/1/81	Dal/Chi	52	2	7	9	18
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/24/17*				
Dion Phaneuf	4/10/85	Ottawa	81	9	21	30	100
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-3, 219*	*Trade: Tor 2/9/16*				
Patrick Sieloff	5/15/94	Binghamton (AHL)	52	2	10	12	93
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*6-1, 205*	*Trade: Cgy 6/27/16*				
Chris Wideman	1/7/90	Ottawa	76	5	12	17	46
St. Louis, Mo.		*5-10, 180*	*Draft: 100th overall ('09)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Shane Bowers	7/30/99	Waterloo (USHL)	60	22	29	51	20
Halifax, N.S.		*6-1, 183*	*Draft: 28th overall ('17)*				
Derick Brassard	9/22/87	Ottawa	81	14	25	39	24
Hull, Que.		*6-1, 204*	*Trade: NYR 7/18/16*				
Logan Brown	3/5/98	Windsor (OHL)	35	14	26	40	27
Raleigh, N.C.		*6-6, 220*	*Draft: 11th overall ('16)*				
Filip Chlapik	6/3/97	Charlottetown (QMJHL)	57	34	57	91	98
Prague, Czech.		*6-1, 196*	*Draft: 48th overall ('15)*				
J-G Pageau	11/11/92	Ottawa	82	12	21	33	24
Ottawa, Ont.		*5-10, 180*	*Draft: 96th overall ('11)*				
Max Reinhart	2/4/92	Kolner (Ger)	52	6	17	23	26
West Vancouver, B.C.		*6-1, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Ben Sexton	6/6/91	Albany (AHL)	54	19	12	31	60
Ottawa, Ont.		*5-11, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Nate Thompson	10/5/84	Anaheim	30	1	1	2	14
Anchorage, Alaska		*6-0, 212*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Kyle Turris	8/14/89	Ottawa	78	27	28	55	47
New Westminster, B.C.		*6-1, 190*	*Trade: Phx 12/17/11*				
Colin White	1/30/97	Boston College (HE)	35	16	17	33	46
Boston, Mass.		*6-0, 183*	*Draft: 21st overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Filip Ahl	6/12/97	Regina (WHL)	54	28	20	48	26
Jonkoping, Sweden		*6-3, 211*	*Draft: 109th overall ('15)*				
Ryan Dzingel	3/9/92	Ottawa	81	14	18	32	30
Wheaton, Ill.		*6-0, 187*	*Draft: 204th overall ('11)*				
Alex Formenton	9/13/99	London (OHL)	65	16	18	34	50
Barrie, Ont.		*6-2, 165*	*Draft: 47th overall ('17)*				
Mike Hoffman	11/24/89	Ottawa	74	26	35	61	51
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 130th overall ('09)*				
Clarke MacArthur	4/6/85	Ottawa	4	0	0	0	0
Lloydminster, Alta.		*6-0, 192*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/13*				
Max McCormick	5/1/92	Binghamton (AHL)	66	21	15	36	105
De Pere, Wis.		*5-11, 188*	*Draft: 171st overall ('11)*				
Nick Paul	3/20/95	Binghamton (AHL)	72	15	22	37	30
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-4, 230*	*Trade: Dal 7/1/14*				
Francis Perron	4/18/96	Binghamton (AHL)	68	6	20	26	14
Laval, Que.		*6-0, 166*	*Draft: 190th overall ('14)*				
Tom Pyatt	2/14/87	Ottawa	82	9	14	23	16
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*5-11, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 5/24/16*				
Zack Smith	4/5/88	Ottawa	74	16	16	32	61
Maple Creek, Sask.		*6-2, 208*	*Draft: 79th overall ('08)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mike Blunden	12/15/86	Binghamton (AHL)	67	14	15	29	57
Toronto, Ont.		*6-4, 217*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Alexandre Burrows	4/11/81	Van/Ott	75	15	16	31	62
Pincourt, Que.		*6-1, 197*	*Trade: Van 2/27/17*				
C. Didomenico	2/20/89	SCL Tigers (Swi)	48	10	28	38	30
Toronto, Ont.		*5-11, 174*	*Free Agent: signed 2/28/17*				
Gabriel Gagne	11/11/96	Binghamton (AHL)	41	2	4	6	9
Laval, Que.		*6-5, 186*	*Draft: 36th overall ('15)*				
Bobby Ryan	3/17/87	Ottawa	62	13	12	25	24
Cherry Hill, N.J.		*6-2, 204*	*Trade: Ana 7/5/13*				
Mark Stone	5/13/92	Ottawa	71	22	32	54	25
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-3, 206*	*Draft: 178th overall ('10)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
65	Erik Karlsson	77	17	54	71	10	28	4	0	5	218	7.8	42	27	—	—	—	3:41	2:09	26:50	19	2	16	18	13	10
68	Mike Hoffman	74	26	35	61	17	51	13	0	8	224	11.6	35	26	12	9	57.1	3:11	0:00	17:35	19	6	5	11	3	10
7	Kyle Turris	78	27	28	55	-3	47	6	0	6	185	14.6	38	17	650	575	53.1	2:55	0:43	19:30	19	4	6	10	2	25
61	Mark Stone	71	22	32	54	12	25	6	0	5	134	16.4	40	14	10	15	40.0	3:04	0:03	18:33	19	5	3	8	5	20
19	Derick Brassard	81	14	25	39	12	24	3	0	3	195	7.2	32	7	612	613	50.0	2:32	0:04	17:22	19	4	7	11	-3	8
44	J-G Pageau	82	12	21	33	13	24	0	0	2	169	7.1	31	0	558	460	54.8	0:20	2:10	16:07	19	8	2	10	5	16
15	Zack Smith	74	16	16	32	6	61	1	4	1	137	11.7	27	1	317	292	52.1	1:23	1:57	16:22	19	1	5	6	-5	12
18	Ryan Dzingel	81	14	18	32	7	30	1	1	1	123	11.4	28	3	9	21	30.0	1:20	0:10	14:23	15	2	1	3	-1	4
14	Alexandre Burrows	75	15	16	31	3	62	1	0	2	143	10.5	29	1	5	9	35.7	0:42	1:10	14:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Van	55	9	11	20	-3	53	0	0	1	114	7.9	19	0	0	6	0.0	0:21	1:33	14:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	20	6	5	11	6	9	1	0	1	29	20.7	10	1	5	3	62.5	1:40	0:09	13:47	15	0	5	5	0	18
2	Dion Phaneuf	81	9	21	30	-6	100	4	1	2	156	5.8	13	16	—	—	—	2:34	2:26	23:02	19	1	4	5	-3	17
9	Bobby Ryan	62	13	12	25	-3	24	2	0	0	111	11.7	20	5	6	3	66.7	2:24	0:01	15:32	19	6	9	15	1	14
10	Tom Pyatt	82	9	14	23	9	16	0	0	1	95	9.5	21	0	21	28	42.9	0:08	2:06	15:37	14	2	0	2	-3	0
6	Chris Wideman	76	5	12	17	7	46	1	0	1	123	4.1	12	5	—	—	—	1:30	0:04	13:57	15	1	3	4	-4	4
5	Cody Ceci	79	2	15	17	-11	20	0	0	0	143	1.4	14	1	1	0	100.0	0:56	3:01	23:12	19	0	1	1	-7	2
24	Viktor Stalberg	75	11	5	16	-9	41	1	2	2	101	10.9	12	2	0	3	0.0	0:21	1:21	12:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Car	57	9	3	12	-6	33	0	2	2	71	12.7	10	0	0	3	0.0	0:04	1:29	11:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	18	2	2	4	-3	8	1	0	0	30	6.7	2	2	—	—	—	1:16	0:53	13:47	17	0	2	2	-8	2
57	Tommy Wingels	73	7	5	12	-11	27	0	0	2	81	8.6	12	0	111	149	42.7	0:03	0:42	10:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SJ	37	5	3	8	-2	15	0	0	2	42	11.9	8	0	59	88	40.1	0:05	0:39	10:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	36	2	2	4	-9	12	0	0	0	39	5.1	4	0	52	61	46.0	0:02	0:45	10:57	9	0	0	0	0	4
22	Chris Kelly	82	5	7	12	-17	23	0	1	2	85	5.9	11	0	223	278	44.5	0:02	2:05	11:56	2	0	0	0	0	0
3	Marc Methot	68	0	12	12	13	24	0	0	0	69	0.0	12	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:04	19:49	18	2	2	4	5	10
33	*Fredrik Claesson	33	3	8	11	5	4	0	0	0	25	12.0	10	0	—	—	—	0:14	0:25	13:08	14	0	3	3	3	4
23	Jyrki Jokipakka	41	1	5	6	-4	12	0	0	0	29	3.4	6	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:10	14:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Cgy	38	1	5	6	-3	12	0	0	0	29	3.4	6	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:11	14:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	3	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:00	14:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Chris Neil	53	1	3	4	-11	63	0	0	0	42	2.4	4	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:00	7:34	2	0	0	0	0	12
74	Mark Borowiecki	70	1	2	3	-3	154	0	0	0	50	2.0	3	0	1	0	100.0	0:01	0:42	14:00	2	0	0	0	0	2
41	Craig Anderson	40	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	19	0	1	1	—	0
32	*Chris Driedger	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	*Nick Paul	1	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	5	8	38.5	0:46	0:00	16:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
72	*Thomas Chabot	1	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	7:09	—	—	—	—	—	—
82	*Colin White	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	7	14	33.3	1:40	0:00	13:42	1	0	0	0	0	0
20	Mike Blunden	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
49	C. Didomenico	3	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	2	1	66.7	0:51	0:00	11:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	*Buddy Robinson	4	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	6:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Clarke MacArthur	4	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	2:13	0:00	13:29	19	3	6	9	5	12
39	*Andreas Englund	5	0	0	0	-3	2	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:10	10:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
67	*Ben Harpur	6	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:25	0:16	17:48	9	0	2	2	-3	4
30	Andrew Hammond	6	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	*Casey Bailey	7	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	10	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:00	7:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
89	*Max McCormick	7	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	7	0.0	0	0	15	9	62.5	0:00	0:00	6:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
81	Phil Varone	7	0	0	0	-3	2	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	15	12	55.6	0:42	0:00	7:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	Mike Condon	41	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Pit	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ott	40	0	0	0	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	2	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
41	Craig Anderson	40	2,421	2.28	25	11	4	0	5	92	1,247	.926	0	1	0	19	1,178	2.34	11	8	0	1	46	590	.922
1	Mike Condon	40	2,304	2.50	19	14	6	4	5	96	1115	.914	0	0	4	2	61	3.93	0	0	0	0	4	32	.875
30	Andrew Hammond	6	206	4.08	0	2	0	0	0	14	86	.837	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	*Chris Driedger	1	40	6.00	0	1	0	0	0	4	15	.733	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... Wsh
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Det
3. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... at Van
4. Fri. Oct. 13 ..... at Cgy
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at Edm
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... Van
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... NJ
8. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... Tor
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... LA
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... Phi
11. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... at NJ
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... Mtl
13. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... Det
14. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... Veg
15. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... at Col
16. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Col
17. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... Pit
18. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... Ari
19. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... at NYR
20. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at Wsh
21. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... at Clb
22. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... NYI
23. Wed. Nov. 29 ..... at Mtl
24. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... at NYI
25. Sun. Dec. 3 ..... at Wpg
26. Wed. Dec. 6 ..... at Ana
27. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at LA
28. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at SJ
29. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... at Buf
30. Wed. Dec. 13 ..... NYR
31. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... Mtl
32. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... Min
33. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... at TB
34. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at Fla
35. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... at Bos
36. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... Clb
37. Sat. Dec. 30 ..... Bos
38. Wed. Jan. 3 ..... at Det
39. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... SJ
40. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... TB
41. Tue. Jan. 9 ..... Chi
42. Wed. Jan. 10 ..... at Tor
43. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... StL
44. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... Tor
45. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... at Min
46. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at StL
47. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Bos
48. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Car
49. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... Ana
50. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at Phi
51. Sun. Feb. 4 ..... at Mtl
52. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... NJ
53. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... Nsh
54. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... at Tor
55. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... at Pit
56. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Buf
57. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... NYR
58. Mon. Feb. 19 ..... at Nsh
59. Wed. Feb. 21 ..... at Chi
60. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... TB
61. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... Phi
62. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... at Wsh
63. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... at Veg
64. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at Ari
65. Mon. Mar. 5 ..... at Dal
66. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... Buf
67. Fri. Mar. 9 ..... Cgy
68. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... at Fla
69. Tue. Mar. 13 ..... at TB
70. Fri. Mar. 16 ..... Dal
71. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at Clb
72. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Fla
73. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... Edm
74. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Car
75. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... at Car
76. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... NYI
77. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... Fla
78. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... at Det
79. Mon. Apr. 2 ..... Wpg
80. Wed. Apr. 4 ..... at Buf
81. Fri. Apr. 6 ..... at Pit
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Bos

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Philadelphia FLYERS

BY WAYNE FISH

IT'S NOT EASY to win 10 games in a row, but it's even harder to win 10 in a row and then not make the playoffs. In fact, before the 2016-17 Flyers did it, no NHL team had achieved that dubious distinction in, oh, 99 years, to be exact. So, consistency is the goal in 2017-18. Because the Flyers missed post-season play and now risk doing so in back-to-back seasons for the first time since the early '90s, the pressure is on, both internally and externally.

The Flyers' off-season moves were not headliners, mainly because the team is expecting an influx of talented rookies. Optimism is cautiously high, especially if No. 2 overall draft pick Nolan Patrick makes the roster. Former starting goalie Steve Mason left for Winnipeg via free agency, replaced by UFA signee Brian Elliott. If the Flyers' rookie class is half as good as last year's (Ivan Provorov, Travis Konecny, Jordan Weal), the team should be in pretty good shape.

OFFENSE Jakub Voracek led the club in scoring, with Claude Giroux finishing second (and failing to lead the Flyers in points for only the second time since 2010). Shayne Gostisbehere had the most points from the defensemen for the second straight season. Philadelphia was minus-19 in goals for/against, so they need better 5-on-5 play, more puck possession time and consistent goaltending.

The Flyers have a good nucleus of veteran forwards (Giroux, Voracek, Wayne Simmonds, Sean Couturier) but the fact is, this team hasn't made it past the second round of the playoffs since 2010. Leadership is starting to come into question. A full season out of Weal and a bounce-back season from Jori Lehtera should help make up for the trade of Brayden Schenn to St. Louis. Coach Dave Hakstol is a big believer in structured play, willing to sacrifice wide-open offense for close-checking, low-scoring games.

THE SHEPHERD
Entering his sixth season as Flyers captain, Claude Giroux will once again be tasked with integrating a crop of green youngsters into the orange-and-black way of life.

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JAKUB VORACEK

ANDY DEVLIN/NHLI VIA GETTY IMAGES

DEFENSE The Flyers' team defense was average at best, although Couturier has developed into one of the league's best two-way centers. When he's under control, Radko Gudas can be as intimidating as any defenseman in the league. The 20-year-old Provorov is the key to the overall defense. He was the first rookie in franchise history to lead the team in ice time, averaging nearly 22 minutes per game. If he's paired with Gudas or Brandon Manning, that will be the team's shutdown pair.

At least one and possibly two rookies from a quartet of Philippe Myers, Samuel Morin, Robert Hagg and Travis Sanheim are expected to make the roster. The Flyers were outscored 85-70 in the third period last season, so closing out games better is a high priority.

GOALTENDING It appears the Flyers will try a 50-50 goalie tandem system for the first time in a while, with Elliott and the oft-injured Michal Neuvirth sharing duties. The Flyers are hoping Elliott can regain the excellence he exhibited in St. Louis and leave behind his inconsistent stint in Calgary. Neuvirth will be tasked with a heavier workload than last year. He missed 23 games mid-season with a knee injury, then played in only four of the team's final 20 contests.

SPECIAL TEAMS While the power play was respectable, it wasn't good enough to save assistant coach Joe Mullen's job. And it wasn't good enough to save Schenn, the NHL's leading power play goal-scorer, from being traded. Although Simmonds, Voracek, Giroux and Gostisbehere will still be the mainstays with the man advantage, the PP will look different. Assistant coach Ian Laperriere oversees a penalty-killing unit that finished a disappointing 21st in the NHL. Couturier remains the key to the Flyers' PK efforts.

INTANGIBLES As Voracek echoed at the end of last season, the Flyers' core leadership group needs to start producing or it might get broken up (see Schenn). Giroux enters his sixth season as captain, joining Eric Lindros as the second-longest serving captain in Flyers history, trailing only Bobby Clarke.

ROOKIES Beyond Patrick, Oskar Lindblom and Mike Vecchione are the only rookie forwards viewed as having a legitimate shot to make the team. Myers, Morin, Hagg and Sanheim all have a chance to play meaningful roles on the blueline.

X-FACTOR Giroux and Gostisbehere both underwent the same hip and abdominal surgery during the summer of 2016 and both experienced erratic seasons in 2016-17. If they come into camp completely healthy, look for them to have big years and the Flyers to get back on track.

THE BRASS Ron Hextall enters his fourth season as GM and Hakstol his third as coach. Getting the No. 2 draft pick in Patrick will help the Flyers' build-from-within approach, with which, by the way, owner Comcast Spectacor says it's in agreement.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
39-33-10 (88 pts)

OT/SO
7-5/7-5

DIVISION
6th

OVERALL
19th

OFFENSE
2.59 GPG (21st)

DEFENSE
2.82 GAA (19th)

POWER PLAY
19.5% (14th)

PENALTY KILL
79.8% (21st)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.73% (12th)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-9-10 (.641)

2-GOAL GAMES
11-10 (.523)

3+ GOAL GAMES
8-14 (.363)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Claude Giroux (19:07)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Ivan Provorov (21:58)

FAST FACTS

GM
Ron Hextall

COACH
Dave Hakstol

ARENA
Wells Fargo Center

CAPACITY
19,537

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,630 (6th)

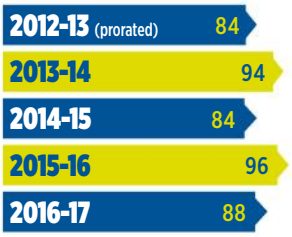
AHL AFFILIATE
Lehigh Valley Phantoms

ECHL AFFILIATE
Reading Royals

PLAYOFF RECORD
5-8 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Travis Konecny
2 Valtteri Filppula
3 Oskar Lindblom
4 Michael Raffl
5 Jordan Weal

CENTER
1 Claude Giroux
2 Nolan Patrick
3 Sean Couturier
4 Jori Lehtera
5 Mike Vecchione

RIGHT WING
1 Jakub Voracek
2 Wayne Simmonds
3 Matt Read
4 Dale Weise
5 Scott Laughton

DEFENSE
1 Ivan Provorov
2 Shayne Gostisbehere
3 Radko Gudas
4 Andrew MacDonald
5 Travis Sanheim
6 Brandon Manning
7 Samuel Morin
8 Philippe Myers
9 Robert Hagg
10 T.J. Brennan

GOALIE
1 Brian Elliott
2 Michal Neuvirth
3 Anthony Stolarz

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Brayden Schenn, LW; Steve Mason, G; Michael Del Zotto, D; Pierre-Edouard Bellemare, C; Nick Cousins, C

TRAVIS **SANHEIM**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. NOLAN PATRICK, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Brandon (WHL)
Big, strong, two-way center oozes hockey sense. Has high-end skill and smarts.
ACQUIRED 2nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '17-18

2. TRAVIS SANHEIM, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Lehigh Valley (AHL)
Was a leader of the Phantoms' defense. Well-rounded game and he even beefed up.
ACQUIRED 17th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

3. PHILIPPE MYERS, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)
Smart, rangy late-bloomer made immense strides past two years. Needs to get stronger.
ACQUIRED Free agent, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

4. GERMAN RUBTSOV, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Chicoutimi (QMJHL)
Needs to work on his strength, but playing on smaller rinks will help improve his overall game.
ACQUIRED 22nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

5. FELIX SANDSTROM, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Brynas (Swe.)
For second straight year he shared the Brynas crease with a veteran and his numbers lagged.
ACQUIRED 70th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

6. SAMUEL MORIN, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Lehigh Valley (AHL)
Mammoth defensive rock is an intimidating force. No issues with his skating, though.
ACQUIRED 11th overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

7. ROBERT HAGG, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Lehigh Valley (AHL)
Stay-at-home AHL veteran becoming more assertive on a promising blueline.
ACQUIRED 41st overall, 2013 **NHL** '18-19

8. OSKAR LINDBLOM, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Brynas (Swe.)
Skilled finisher had a breakthrough season. Only issue is his mediocre skating.
ACQUIRED 138th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

9. CARTER HART, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** Everett (WHL)
Canada's goalie at WJC, Hart has a mature game with good lateral movement.
ACQUIRED 48th overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

10. ANTHONY STOLARZ, G
AGE 23 **TEAM** Lehigh Valley (AHL)
Ready to advance to next level but the permanent opportunities keep eluding him.
ACQUIRED 45th overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

NOLAN PATRICK

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
2nd overall

2016-17 TEAM
Brandon

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Eric Staal

SCOUTING REPORT
Wracked by injuries for the past year-and-a-half, Patrick still has a ton of upside thanks to his size, skill and ability to drive the middle lane. He's also very responsible and has NHL bloodlines.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Brian Elliott	4/9/85	Calgary	49	26	18	3	2.55	.910
Newmarket, Ont.		*6-2, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Carter Hart	8/13/98	Everett (WHL)	54	32	11	8	1.99	.927
Sherwood Park, Alta.		*6-1, 180*	*Draft: 48th overall ('16)*					
Alex Lyon	12/9/92	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	47	27	14	5	2.74	.912
Baudette, Minn.		*6-1, 201*	*Free Agent: signed 4/5/16*					
Michal Neuvirth	3/23/88	Philadelphia	28	11	11	1	2.82	.891
Usti nad Labem, Czech.		*6-1, 209*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*					
Felix Sandstrom	1/12/97	Brynas (Swe)	22	14	7	0	2.25	.908
Gavle, Sweden		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 70th overall ('15)*					
Anthony Stolarz	1/20/94	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	29	18	9	0	2.92	.911
Edison, N.J.		*6-6, 210*	*Draft: 45th overall ('12)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mark Alt	10/18/91	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	40	1	10	11	10
Kansas City, Mo.		*6-4, 201*	*Trade: Car 1/13/13*				
T.J. Brennan	4/3/89	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	76	21	39	60	101
Willingboro, N.J.		*6-1, 216*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/16*				
Mark Friedman	12/25/95	Bowling Green (WCHA)	40	8	18	26	28
Toronto, Ont.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 86th overall ('14)*				
S. Gostisbehere	4/20/93	Philadelphia	76	7	32	39	32
Pembroke Pines, Fla.		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 78th overall ('12)*				
Radko Gudas	6/5/90	Philadelphia	67	6	17	23	93
Prague, Czech.		*6-0, 204*	*Trade: TB 3/2/15*				
Robert Hagg	2/8/95	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	58	7	8	15	48
Uppsala, Sweden		*6-2, 204*	*Draft: 41st overall ('13)*				
Andrew MacDonald	9/7/86	Philadelphia	73	2	16	18	26
Judique, N.S.		*6-1, 204*	*Trade: NYI 3/4/14*				
Brandon Manning	6/4/90	Philadelphia	65	3	9	12	83
Prince George, B.C.		*6-1, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 11/23/10*				
Samuel Morin	7/12/95	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	74	3	13	16	129
Lac-Beauport, Que.		*6-6, 202*	*Draft: 11th overall ('13)*				
Philippe Myers	1/25/97	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	34	10	25	35	46
Moncton, N.B.		*6-5, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 9/21/15*				
Ivan Provorov	1/13/97	Philadelphia	82	6	24	30	34
Yaroslavl, Russia		*6-1, 201*	*Draft: 7th overall ('15)*				
Travis Sanheim	3/29/96	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	76	10	27	37	46
Elkhorn, Man.		*6-3, 181*	*Draft: 17th overall ('14)*				
Reece Willcox	3/20/94	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	48	3	4	7	12
Surrey, B.C.		*6-3, 184*	*Draft: 141st overall ('12)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sean Couturier	12/7/92	Philadelphia	66	14	20	34	33
Phoenix, Ariz.		*6-3, 211*	*Draft: 8th overall ('11)*				
Radel Fazleev	1/7/96	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	65	6	10	16	26
Kazan, Russia		*6-1, 176*	*Draft: 168th overall ('14)*				
Valtteri Filppula	3/20/84	TB/Phi	79	12	30	42	26
Vantaa, Finland		*6-0, 196*	*Trade: TB 3/1/17*				
Claude Giroux	1/12/88	Philadelphia	82	14	44	58	38
Hearst, Ont.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('06)*				
Jori Lehtera	12/23/87	St. Louis	64	7	15	22	34
Helsinki, Finland		*6-2, 212*	*Trade: StL 6/23/17*				
Nolan Patrick	9/19/98	Brandon (WHL)	33	20	26	46	36
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 198*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('17)*				
German Rubtsov	6/27/98	Chicoutimi (QMJHL)	16	9	13	22	4
Chekhov, Russia		*6-2, 178*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('16)*				
Phil Varone	12/4/90	Binghamton (AHL)	65	15	36	51	22
Vaughan, Ont.		*5-10, 193*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Mike Vecchione	2/25/93	Union (ECAC)	38	29	34	63	45
Saugus, Mass.		*5-10, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 3/31/17*				
Mikhail Vorobyev	1/5/97	Ufa (KHL)	44	3	8	11	18
Ufa, Russia		*6-2, 194*	*Draft: 104th overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Tyrell Goulbourne	1/26/94	Reading (ECHL)	36	8	11	19	35
Edmonton, Alta.		*5-11, 195*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('13)*				
Travis Konecny	3/11/97	Philadelphia	70	11	17	28	49
London, Ont.		*5-10, 175*	*Draft: 24th overall ('15)*				
Scott Laughton	5/30/94	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	60	19	20	39	40
Oakville, Ont.		*6-1, 190*	*Draft: 20th overall ('12)*				
Taylor Leier	2/15/94	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	48	13	24	37	16
Saskatoon, Sask.		*5-10, 174*	*Draft: 117th overall ('12)*				
Oskar Lindblom	8/15/96	Brynas (Swe)	52	22	25	47	18
Gavle, Sweden		*6-1, 191*	*Draft: 138th overall ('14)*				
Danick Martel	12/12/94	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	68	20	20	40	67
Drummondville, Que.		*5-8, 162*	*Free Agent: signed 3/10/15*				
Michael Raffl	12/1/88	Philadelphia	52	8	3	11	20
Villach, Austria		*6-0, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 5/31/13*				
Jordan Weal	4/15/92	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	43	15	32	47	30
North Vancouver, B.C.		*5-10, 179*	*Trade: LA 1/6/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Nicolas Aube-Kubel	5/10/96	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	71	9	9	18	55
Slave Lake, Alta.		*5-11, 187*	*Draft: 48th overall ('14)*				
Cole Bardreau	7/22/93	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	72	9	15	24	85
Fairport, N.Y.		*5-10, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 3/2/15*				
Colin McDonald	9/30/84	Lehigh Valley (AHL)	72	25	19	44	27
Wethersfield, Conn.		*6-2, 219*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/15*				
Matt Read	6/14/86	Philadelphia	63	10	9	19	8
Ilderton, Ont.		*5-10, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 3/23/11*				
Wayne Simmonds	8/26/88	Philadelphia	82	31	23	54	122
Scarborough, Ont.		*6-2, 185*	*Trade: LA 6/23/11*				
Jakub Voracek	8/15/89	Philadelphia	82	20	41	61	56
Kladno, Czech.		*6-2, 214*	*Trade: Clb 6/23/11*				
Dale Weise	8/5/88	Philadelphia	64	8	7	15	39
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
93	Jakub Voracek	82	20	41	61	-24	56	5	0	3	253	7.9	38	23	3	11	21.4	3:35	0:01	19:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Claude Giroux	82	14	44	58	-15	38	5	0	3	199	7.0	26	31	977	771	55.9	3:44	0:15	19:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
10	Brayden Schenn	79	25	30	55	-13	38	17	0	7	178	14.0	27	28	232	262	47.0	3:44	0:00	17:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	Wayne Simmonds	82	31	23	54	-18	122	16	2	4	224	13.8	27	25	8	9	47.1	3:42	1:30	18:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Valtteri Filppula	79	12	30	42	-1	26	0	0	1	97	12.4	35	7	556	606	47.8	1:53	1:44	17:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	59	7	27	34	1	24	0	0	1	74	9.5	27	7	430	494	46.5	1:53	2:02	17:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Phi	20	5	3	8	-2	2	0	0	0	23	21.7	8	0	126	112	52.9	1:53	0:52	17:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
53	Shayne Gostisbehere	76	7	32	39	-21	32	2	0	1	198	3.5	16	23	—	—	—	3:49	0:04	19:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
14	Sean Couturier	66	14	20	34	12	33	0	0	2	120	11.7	31	2	587	479	55.1	1:49	1:50	18:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	*Ivan Provorov	82	6	24	30	-7	34	0	0	1	161	3.7	25	5	—	—	—	1:41	2:49	21:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	*Travis Konecny	70	11	17	28	-2	49	3	0	0	133	8.3	24	4	0	5	0.0	1:41	0:01	14:05	—	—	—	—	—	—
3	Radko Gudas	67	6	17	23	8	93	0	0	0	113	5.3	22	1	—	—	—	0:04	1:54	19:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Matt Read	63	10	9	19	3	8	2	1	2	92	10.9	16	2	5	10	33.3	0:39	0:53	13:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Michael Del Zotto	51	6	12	18	-5	28	0	0	0	92	6.5	16	1	0	1	0.0	0:57	1:16	19:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Andrew MacDonald	73	2	16	18	-5	26	0	0	0	65	3.1	17	0	—	—	—	0:06	2:50	20:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Nick Cousins	60	6	10	16	-6	31	1	0	0	99	6.1	14	2	89	128	41.0	1:10	0:01	12:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Dale Weise	64	8	7	15	1	39	1	0	2	94	8.5	13	2	3	0	100.0	0:58	0:00	12:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
76	Chris VandeVelde	81	6	9	15	-5	16	0	0	0	69	8.7	15	0	22	20	52.4	0:03	2:30	11:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Jordan Weal	23	8	4	12	5	10	1	0	1	49	16.3	11	1	14	14	50.0	1:34	0:00	14:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Brandon Manning	65	3	9	12	-12	83	0	1	1	84	3.6	11	0	0	1	0.0	0:09	1:37	18:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Michael Raffl	52	8	3	11	-7	20	0	0	3	63	12.7	11	0	3	7	30.0	0:06	0:01	13:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
78	P-E Bellemare	82	4	4	8	-1	20	0	0	0	90	4.4	7	0	402	429	48.4	0:03	2:46	12:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	*Roman Lyubimov	47	4	2	6	-2	8	0	0	1	41	9.8	6	0	1	6	14.3	0:03	0:29	9:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Nick Schultz	28	0	4	4	1	10	0	0	0	25	0.0	4	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:50	15:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
58	*Taylor Leier	10	1	1	2	-1	4	0	0	0	7	14.3	2	0	0	1	0.0	0:01	0:19	9:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
36	Colin McDonald	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5	20.0	1	0	0	1	0.0	0:05	0:00	9:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Boyd Gordon	13	1	0	1	-5	2	0	0	0	8	12.5	1	0	48	38	55.8	0:00	1:31	8:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Steve Mason	58	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	*Robert Hagg	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:34	21:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	*Samuel Morin	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	3:09	17:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
74	*Mike Vecchione	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	8	4	66.7	0:08	0:00	8:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Scott Laughton	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	11	9	55.0	0:00	0:00	10:14	—	—	—	—	—	—
41	*Anthony Stolarz	7	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Michal Neuvirth	28	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
41	*Anthony Stolarz	7	376	2.07	2	1	1	0	1	13	181	.928	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Steve Mason	58	3,225	2.66	26	21	8	7	3	143	1,556	.908	0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Michal Neuvirth	28	1,364	2.82	11	11	1	4	0	64	586	.891	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 ..... at SJ
2. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... at LA
3. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... at Ana
4. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... at Nsh
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... Wsh
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... Fla
7. Thu. Oct. 19 ..... Nsh
8. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... Edm
9. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Ana
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... at Ott
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at Tor
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... Ari
13. Wed. Nov. 1 ..... at Chi
14. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at StL
15. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... Col
16. Thu. Nov. 9 ..... Chi
17. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... Min
18. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... at Min
19. Thu. Nov. 16 .... at Wpg
20. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... Cgy
21. Tue. Nov. 21 ..... Van
22. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at NYI
23. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... NYI
24. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... at Pit
25. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... SJ
26. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... Bos
27. Mon. Dec. 4 ..... at Cgy
28. Wed. Dec. 6 ..... at Edm
29. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... at Van
30. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... Tor
31. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... Buf
32. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... Dal
33. Mon. Dec. 18 ..... LA
34. Wed. Dec. 20 ..... Det
35. Fri. Dec. 22 ..... at Buf
36. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at Clb
37. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... at Fla
38. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at TB
39. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... Pit
40. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... NYI
41. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... StL
42. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... Buf
43. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... at NJ
44. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... at NYR
45. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... Tor
46. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... NJ
47. Sun. Jan. 21 ..... at Wsh
48. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... at Det
49. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... TB
50. Wed. Jan. 31 ..... at Wsh
51. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at NJ
52. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... Ott
53. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... at Car
54. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... Mtl
55. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... at Ari
56. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... at Veg
57. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... NJ
58. Fri. Feb. 16 ..... at Clb
59. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... at NYR
60. Tue. Feb. 20 ..... Mtl
61. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... Clb
62. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at Ott
63. Mon. Feb. 26 ..... at Mtl
64. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... Car
65. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at TB
66. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... at Fla
67. Wed. Mar. 7 ..... Pit
68. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Bos
69. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... Wpg
70. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... Veg
71. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... Clb
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... at Car
73. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... Wsh
74. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at Det
75. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... NYR
76. Sun. Mar. 25 ..... at Pit
77. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... at Dal
78. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... at Col
79. Sun. Apr. 1 ..... Bos
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... at NYI
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... Car
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... NYR

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Pittsburgh PENGUINS

BY SHELLY ANDERSON

IT ONLY TOOK until parade day for someone official – coach Mike Sullivan certainly qualifies – to utter the word "three-peat."

After becoming the only team to win back-to-back Stanley Cups in the salary cap era and the first since the Detroit in 1997 and '98, the Penguins were almost immediately thinking about winning it again in 2018. The 2017 title was quite a feat, considering the grind the players went through in the previous 12 months (including the World Cup of Hockey for some) and the injuries to key players. Most significantly, the Penguins went all four playoff rounds without top D-man Kris Letang because of neck disc surgery.

Pittsburgh had a few sizable advantages – a team that was almost completely intact from 2016 and cornerstone centers Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin. This time around, there is more turnover throughout the lineup. But the core of stars remains in place, making them once again the team to beat.

OFFENSE Crosby, the Rocket Richard Trophy winner with 44 goals, Malkin and Phil Kessel combined to average 3.3 points per game in the regular season and 3.2 in the post-season. Also returning are Jake Guentzel, who as a rookie developed chemistry with Crosby and led the playoffs with 13 goals, and Conor Sheary, who slumped in the playoffs but has shown a scoring knack. On top of that, there's feisty winger Patric Hornqvist, clutch scorer Bryan Rust and speedster Carl Hagelin as well as the skill of Letang and Justin Schultz on the back end.

Gone via free agency are a pair of top-nine forwards in veteran Chris Kunitz and third-line center Nick Bonino. Fourth-line center Matt Cullen was mulling retirement. Oskar Sundqvist, a logical replacement for Cullen, was traded away, leaving Carter Rowney as the best option for the spot. Pittsburgh GM Jim Rutherford promised to bring in a third-line center via trade, but said his timetable was open-ended and could stretch into the season.

EVGENI MALKIN

The most intriguing addition is rugged winger Ryan Reaves, who might not play a lot but whose acquisition in a trade with St. Louis that involved Sundqvist sent a message – one overtly stated by Rutherford – that the Penguins needed to deter unchecked rough treatment of Crosby and the team's other star players.

DEFENSE A sloppy group at times, Pittsburgh's defense corps should be improved. Letang, the MVP of the blueline, is due back around the start of the season. He will join Schultz, who isn't in the same class as Letang but certainly helped fill the void last spring. Together, they should make the loss of free agent Trevor Daley manageable.

Brian Dumoulin, Olli Maatta and Ian Cole have proven reliable. Pittsburgh essentially

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
50-21-11 (111 pts)

OT/SO
6-6/4-5

DIVISION
2nd

OVERALL
2nd

OFFENSE
3.39 GPG (1st)

DEFENSE
2.79 GAA (17th)

POWER PLAY
23.1% (3rd)

PENALTY KILL
79.8% (20th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.67% (13th)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-3-11 (.742)

2-GOAL GAMES
7-3 (.700)

3+ GOAL GAMES
24-15 (.615)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Sidney Crosby (19:52)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Kris Letang (25:31)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jim Rutherford

COACH
Mike Sullivan

ARENA
PPG Paints Arena

CAPACITY
18,387

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,763 (4th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Wilkes-Barre/Scranton

ECHL AFFILIATE
Wheeling Nailers

PLAYOFF RECORD
48-34 (since 2013)

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	123
2013-14	109
2014-15	98
2015-16	104
2016-17	111

SPECIAL TEAMS The power play had stretches where scoring was scarce despite the firepower, but it still finished third in the league. The core players return, although there might be competition between Letang and Schultz for the No. 1 quarterback role. Pittsburgh lost two solid PK guys in Bonino and Kunitz.

INTANGIBLES Crosby turned 30 in August but he is still in his prime. Long ago, he made it clear that this is his team. Everything about the Penguins seems to be an extension of Crosby's game – his skill, speed, work ethic and drive to win.

ROOKIES Forwards Daniel Sprong and Zach Aston-Reese could be the next impact youngsters, although both are likely to open the season in the AHL. Sprong has a "wow" factor and has worked to shore up the defensive side of his game. Aston-Reese, out of Northeastern, was one of the top U.S. college free agents.

X-FACTOR No team has won three straight Stanley Cups since the Islanders four-peated in the early 1980s. Pittsburgh has the talent and drive to win again. It remains to be seen whether their stamina and health will hold up.

THE BRASS Locals are already asking how soon Sullivan – with his bench management, emphasis on speed and "just play" mantra – could be considered the best coach in Pittsburgh sports history. Rutherford has provided the horses to help the stars. At 68, the GM says he has no inclination to retire. Why would he?

replaced veteran Ron Hainsey (who went to Toronto) with UFA addition Matt Hunwick (who came from Toronto), while also losing Mark Streit. Depth defender Chad Ruhwedel could see more ice.

GOALTENDING Pittsburgh, the team and the town, said a sad goodbye to longtime franchise goalie Marc-Andre Fleury, who was the marquee selection in the Vegas expansion draft. The development – and dominance – of Matt Murray made that inevitable. The Penguins picked up Antti Niemi as the new backup. He's a downgrade from Fleury, but Niemi is expected to play up to 30 games.

LEGACY PROJECT

Already a surefire Hall of Famer prior to last season, Sidney Crosby delivered more magic in 2016-17, taking home the World Cup, Stanley Cup, Conn Smythe Trophy and Rocket Richard Trophy.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Jake Guentzel
2 Conor Sheary
3 Carl Hagelin
4 Scott Wilson
5 Tom Sestito

CENTER
1 Sidney Crosby
2 Evgeni Malkin
3 Carter Rowney
4 Greg McKegg
5 Dominik Simon

RIGHT WING
1 Phil Kessel
2 Patric Hornqvist
3 Bryan Rust
4 Ryan Reaves
5 Tom Kuhnhackl

DEFENSE
1 Kris Letang
2 Justin Schultz
3 Brian Dumoulin
4 Olli Maatta
5 Ian Cole
6 Matt Hunwick
7 Derrick Pouliot
8 Chad Ruhwedel
9 Frank Corrado
10 Jeff Taylor

GOALIE
1 Matt Murray
2 Antti Niemi
3 Tristan Jarry

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Nick Bonino, C; Marc-Andre Fleury, G; Chris Kunitz, LW; Trevor Daley, D; Ron Hainsey, D; Mark Streit, D; Oskar Sundqvist, C

DANIEL **SPRONG**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. DANIEL SPRONG, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Charlottetown (QMJHL)
Sidetracked by shoulder surgery but put up beast-like offensive numbers in half a season.
ACQUIRED 46th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

2. DERRICK POULIOT, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (AHL)
Needs to work on his ability to process the game quickly. Probably his last real chance.
ACQUIRED 8th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

3. TRISTAN JARRY, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (AHL)
A read-and-react goalie with good size who also has a very calm demeanor.
ACQUIRED 44th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

4. FILIP GUSTAVSSON, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** Lulea (Swe.)
Once called the 'Swedish Carey Price,' he's capable of big saves and he positions well.
ACQUIRED 55th overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

5. ZACHARY LAUZON, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL)
Defensive D-man of the year in the 'Q,' he has a playoff title with the Huskies.
ACQUIRED 51st overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

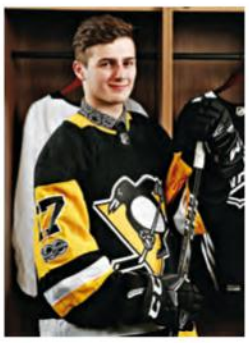
6. KASPER BJORKQVIST, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Providence (HE)
Not much to talk about offensively as an NCAA freshman, but he has a good eye for detail.
ACQUIRED 61st overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

7. DOMINIK SIMON, C
AGE 23 **TEAM** Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (AHL)
A slight dropoff in his production has raised questions, but the talent is still there.
ACQUIRED 137th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

8. CONNOR HALL, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Kitchener (OHL)
A large presence on the blueline who can strike fear into his smaller opponents.
ACQUIRED 77th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

9. CLAYTON PHILLIPS, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Fargo (USHL)
Needs to produce more to make up for lack of size on defense. Bound for NCAA Minnesota.
ACQUIRED 93rd overall, 2017 **NHL** '22-23

10. JEFF TAYLOR, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Union (ECAC)
A bounce-back junior year has many excited for Taylor and his strong puck-moving abilities.
ACQUIRED 203rd overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

ZACHARY LAUZON

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
51st overall

2016-17 TEAM
Rouyn-Noranda

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Marc-Edouard Vlasic

SCOUTING REPORT
The QMJHL's defensive defenseman of the year, Lauzon isn't flashy but he gets the job done. Playing on an elite Huskies team, he already has a playoff title. Brother Jeremy is a Bruins prospect.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Casey DeSmith	8/13/91	WB/Scranton (AHL)	29	21	5	3	2.01	.926
Rochester, N.Y.		*6-0, 181*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/07*					
Filip Gustavsson	6/7/98	Lulea (Swe)	15	4	10	0	2.70	.912
Skelleftea, Sweden		*6-2, 184*	*Draft: 55th overall ('16)*					
Tristan Jarry	4/29/95	WB/Scranton (AHL)	45	28	15	2	2.15	.925
Surrey, B.C.		*6-2, 194*	*Draft: 44th overall ('13)*					
Matt Murray	5/25/94	Pittsburgh	49	32	10	4	2.41	.923
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 178*	*Draft: 83rd overall ('12)*					
Antti Niemi	8/29/83	Dallas	37	12	12	4	3.30	.892
Vantaa, Finland		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Lukas Bengtsson	4/14/94	WB/Scranton (AHL)	16	1	5	6	6
Huddinge, Sweden		*5-11, 172*	*Free Agent: signed 4/27/16*				
Ian Cole	2/21/89	Pittsburgh	81	5	21	26	72
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*6-1, 219*	*Trade: StL 3/2/15*				
Frank Corrado	3/26/93	Tor/WBS (AHL)	35	2	14	16	20
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 205*	*Trade: Tor 3/1/17*				
Kevin Czuczman	1/9/91	Manitoba (AHL)	76	9	23	32	48
Port Elgin, Ont.		*6-2, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 7/4/17*				
Brian Dumoulin	9/6/91	Pittsburgh	70	1	14	15	14
Biddeford, Maine		*6-4, 207*	*Trade: Car 6/22/12*				
Connor Hall	2/21/98	Kitchener (OHL)	17	1	2	3	35
Cambridge, Ont.		*6-3, 190*	*Draft: 77th overall ('16)*				
Matt Hunwick	5/21/85	Toronto	72	1	18	19	18
Warren, Mich.		*5-11, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Zachary Lauzon	10/10/98	R.-Noranda (QMJHL)	63	3	18	21	90
Val-d'Or, Que.		*6-1, 187*	*Draft: 51st overall ('17)*				
Kris Letang	4/24/87	Pittsburgh	41	5	29	34	32
Montreal, Que.		*6-0, 201*	*Draft: 62nd overall ('05)*				
Olli Maatta	8/22/94	Pittsburgh	55	1	6	7	12
Jyvaskyla, Finland		*6-2, 206*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('12)*				
Clayton Phillips	9/9/99	Fargo (USHL)	56	7	13	20	35
Edina, Minn.		*5-11, 182*	*Draft: 93rd overall ('17)*				
Derrick Pouliot	1/16/94	WB/Scranton (AHL)	46	7	16	23	26
Estevan, Sask.		*6-0, 208*	*Draft: 8th overall ('12)*				
Chad Ruhwedel	5/7/90	Pittsburgh	34	2	8	10	8
San Diego, Calif.		*5-11, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Justin Schultz	7/6/90	Pittsburgh	78	12	39	51	34
Kelowna, B.C.		*6-2, 193*	*Trade: Edm 2/27/16*				
Jeff Taylor	4/13/94	Union (ECAC)	38	9	24	33	24
Albany, N.Y.		*5-11, 181*	*Draft: 203rd overall ('14)*				
Jarred Tinordi	2/20/92	Tucson (AHL)	64	1	10	11	102
Burnsville, Minn.		*6-6, 230*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Zach Trotman	8/26/90	Ontario (AHL)	9	0	2	2	26
Carmel, Ind.		*6-3, 217*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Theodor Blueger	8/15/94	WB/Scranton (AHL)	54	7	24	31	20
Riga, Latvia		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 52nd overall ('12)*				
Sidney Crosby	8/7/87	Pittsburgh	75	44	45	89	24
Cole Harbour, N.S.		*5-11, 200*	*Draft: 1st overall ('05)*				
Evgeni Malkin	7/31/86	Pittsburgh	62	33	39	72	77
Magnitogorsk, Russia		*6-3, 195*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('04)*				
Greg McKegg	6/17/92	Fla/TB	46	3	4	7	22
St. Thomas, Ont.		*6-0, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Carter Rowney	5/10/89	Pittsburgh	27	3	4	7	4
Grand Prairie, Alta.		*6-2, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 3/9/16*				
Dominik Simon	8/8/94	WB/Scranton (AHL)	70	15	31	46	18
Prague, Czech.		*5-11, 176*	*Draft: 137th overall ('15)*				
Frederik Tiffels	5/20/95	W. Michigan (NCHC)	37	9	12	21	12
Cologne, Germany		*6-0, 192*	*Draft: 167th overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Zach Aston-Reese	8/10/94	Northeastern (HE)	38	31	32	63	72
Staten Island, N.Y.		*6-0, 204*	*Free Agent: signed 3/14/17*				
Kasper Bjorkqvist	7/10/97	Providence (HE)	30	3	6	9	8
Espoo, Finland		*6-1, 198*	*Draft: 61st overall ('16)*				
Jake Guentzel	10/6/94	Pittsburgh	40	16	17	33	10
Omaha, Neb.		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 77th overall ('13)*				
Carl Hagelin	8/23/88	Pittsburgh	61	6	16	22	16
Sodertalje, Sweden		*5-11, 186*	*Trade: Ana 1/16/16*				
Adam Johnson	6/22/94	Minn.-Duluth (NCHC)	42	18	19	37	18
Hibbing, Minn.		*6-0, 146*	*Free Agent: signed 7/6/17*				
Tom Kuhnhackl	1/21/92	Pittsburgh	57	4	12	16	18
Landshut, Germany		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 110th overall ('10)*				
Bryan Rust	5/11/92	Pittsburgh	57	15	13	28	8
Pontiac, Mich.		*5-11, 192*	*Draft: 80th overall ('10)*				
Tom Sestito	9/28/87	WB/Scranton (AHL)	33	6	10	16	121
Rome, N.Y.		*6-5, 228*	*Free Agent: signed 2/1/16*				
Scott Wilson	4/24/92	Pittsburgh	78	8	18	26	32
Oakville, Ont.		*5-11, 183*	*Draft: 209th overall ('11)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Josh Archibald	10/6/92	WB/Scranton (AHL)	61	16	13	29	54
Regina, Sask.		*5-10, 176*	*Draft: 174th overall ('11)*				
Patric Hornqvist	1/1/87	Pittsburgh	70	21	23	44	28
Sollentuna, Sweden		*5-11, 189*	*Trade: Nsh 6/27/14*				
Phil Kessel	10/2/87	Pittsburgh	82	23	47	70	20
Madison, Wis.		*6-0, 202*	*Trade: Tor 7/1/15*				
Ryan Reaves	1/20/87	St. Louis	80	7	6	13	104
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-1, 225*	*Trade: StL 6/23/17*				
Conor Sheary	6/8/92	Pittsburgh	61	23	30	53	22
Winchester, Mass.		*5-8, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Daniel Sprong	3/17/97	Charlottetown (QMJHL)	31	32	27	59	8
Amsterdam, Netherlands		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 46th overall ('15)*				

*Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	EXTENDED STATS S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
87	Sidney Crosby	75	44	45	89	17	24	14	0	5	255	17.3	64	25	842	906	48.2	3:35	0:07	19:52	24	8	19	27	4	10
71	Evgeni Malkin	62	33	39	72	18	77	11	0	6	191	17.3	49	23	365	481	43.1	3:40	0:02	18:37	25	10	18	28	9	53
81	Phil Kessel	82	23	47	70	3	20	8	0	4	229	10.0	40	30	5	10	33.3	3:32	0:00	17:56	25	8	15	23	12	2
43	Conor Sheary	61	23	30	53	24	22	2	0	6	154	14.9	48	5	—	—	—	1:47	0:00	15:56	22	2	5	7	-5	4
4	Justin Schultz	78	12	39	51	27	34	3	0	1	154	7.8	31	20	—	—	—	2:45	0:04	20:26	21	4	9	13	3	4
72	Patric Hornqvist	70	21	23	44	16	28	10	0	6	223	9.4	27	17	3	8	27.3	3:00	0:00	15:57	19	5	4	9	6	18
13	Nick Bonino	80	18	19	37	-5	16	6	1	1	142	12.7	25	11	582	631	48.0	1:43	2:17	16:39	21	4	3	7	4	2
58	Kris Letang	41	5	29	34	2	32	2	0	2	122	4.1	19	14	—	—	—	3:40	2:08	25:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	*Jake Guentzel	40	16	17	33	7	10	1	0	0	81	19.8	30	3	8	9	47.1	1:22	0:00	15:53	25	13	8	21	1	10
7	Matt Cullen	72	13	18	31	4	30	2	2	2	93	14.0	25	4	440	419	51.2	0:22	2:19	13:55	25	2	7	9	-1	24
14	Chris Kunitz	71	9	20	29	0	36	0	0	3	134	6.7	24	5	3	10	23.1	1:34	0:43	15:30	20	2	9	11	6	27
17	Bryan Rust	57	15	13	28	4	8	0	0	1	110	13.6	27	0	2	3	40.0	0:12	0:43	13:38	23	7	2	9	5	10
32	Mark Streit	68	6	21	27	-12	28	1	0	2	114	5.3	14	13	—	—	—	2:17	0:33	18:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Phi	49	5	16	21	-10	22	1	0	1	88	5.7	13	8	—	—	—	2:31	0:36	19:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Pit	19	1	5	6	-2	6	0	0	1	26	3.8	1	5	—	—	—	1:40	0:24	17:06	3	0	2	2	-1	0
23	*Scott Wilson	78	8	18	26	0	32	0	0	1	127	6.3	26	0	3	0	100.0	0:21	0:02	10:56	20	3	3	6	4	11
28	Ian Cole	81	5	21	26	26	72	0	0	1	89	5.6	25	1	—	—	—	0:05	2:24	19:49	25	0	9	9	2	22
62	Carl Hagelin	61	6	16	22	10	16	0	0	2	128	4.7	21	0	3	3	50.0	0:06	2:15	15:29	15	2	0	2	-2	19
6	Trevor Daley	56	5	14	19	7	37	1	0	0	84	6.0	14	4	—	—	—	1:38	2:22	20:22	21	1	4	5	7	24
65	Ron Hainsey	72	4	13	17	-8	21	0	1	1	71	5.6	14	0	—	—	—	0:11	3:01	22:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Car	56	4	10	14	-16	17	0	1	1	62	6.5	12	0	—	—	—	0:12	3:03	22:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Pit	16	0	3	3	8	4	0	0	0	9	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:05	2:53	20:59	25	2	6	8	5	6
34	Tom Kuhnhackl	57	4	12	16	8	18	0	1	0	49	8.2	14	0	2	2	50.0	0:02	1:46	10:39	11	1	1	2	2	4
8	Brian Dumoulin	70	1	14	15	0	14	0	0	0	78	1.3	11	4	—	—	—	0:31	1:49	20:32	25	1	5	6	9	6
2	Chad Ruhwedel	34	2	8	10	9	8	0	0	0	45	4.4	7	3	—	—	—	0:56	1:07	17:20	6	0	0	0	-3	4
37	Carter Rowney	27	3	4	7	2	4	0	0	1	24	12.5	7	0	95	103	48.0	0:00	1:03	10:58	20	0	3	3	3	4
3	Olli Maatta	55	1	6	7	17	12	0	0	0	66	1.5	7	0	—	—	—	0:07	2:18	18:03	25	2	6	8	8	12
24	Cameron Gaunce	12	1	3	4	1	13	0	0	0	8	12.5	4	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:01	12:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	*Josh Archibald	10	3	0	3	3	4	0	1	0	11	27.3	2	0	0	1	0.0	0:01	0:30	10:51	4	0	0	0	-1	2
25	Tom Sestito	13	0	2	2	0	48	0	0	0	3	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:00	5:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Matt Murray	49	0	2	2	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	0	0	0	—	0
49	*Dominik Simon	2	0	1	1	-1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:28	0:00	13:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	David Warsofsky	7	0	1	1	-3	6	0	0	0	14	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:54	0:49	15:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
61	Steve Oleksy	11	0	1	1	2	24	0	0	0	11	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:00	1:08	13:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	*Jean-Sebastien Dea	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	1	1	50.0	0:00	0:00	11:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	*Tristan Jarry	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
11	Kevin Porter	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	7	12	36.8	0:00	1:25	11:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Frank Corrado	4	0	0	0	-1	8	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:04	0:32	10:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	2	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:23	14:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Pit	2	0	0	0	-1	2	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:08	0:40	7:32	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Oskar Sundqvist	10	0	0	0	-4	2	0	0	0	9	0.0	0	0	16	28	36.4	0:00	0:29	9:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	Derrick Pouliot	11	0	0	0	-4	4	0	0	0	11	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:58	1:06	14:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	Marc-Andre Fleury	38	0	0	0	—	6	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	15	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	Mike Condon	1	20	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1.000	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	*Matthew Murray	49	2,766	2.41	32	10	4	3	4	111	1,450	.923	0	2	0	11	669	1.70	7	3	1	3	19	303	.937
29	Marc-Andre Fleury	38	2,125	3.02	18	10	7	5	1	107	1,181	.909	0	0	6	15	867	2.56	9	6	0	2	37	490	.924
35	*Tristan Jarry	1	59	3.05	0	1	0	0	0	3	25	.880	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 ..... StL
2. Thu. Oct. 5 ..... at Chi
3. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... Nsh
4. Wed. Oct. 11 ..... at Wsh
5. Thu. Oct. 12 ..... at TB
6. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... Fla
7. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at NYR
8. Fri. Oct. 20 ..... at Fla
9. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... at TB
10. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Edm
11. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... Wpg
12. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... at Min
13. Sun. Oct. 29 ..... at Wpg
14. Wed. Nov. 1 ..... at Edm
15. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at Cgy
16. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Van
17. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... Ari
18. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... at Wsh
19. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at Nsh
20. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... Buf
21. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at Ott
22. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... Chi
23. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... Van
24. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... at Bos
25. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... TB
26. Mon. Nov. 27 ..... Phi
27. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... at Buf
28. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... Buf
29. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... NYR
30. Thu. Dec. 7 ..... NYI
31. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... Tor
32. Mon. Dec. 11 ..... Col
33. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Veg
34. Sat. Dec. 16 ..... at Ari
35. Mon. Dec. 18 ..... at Col
36. Thu. Dec. 21 ..... Clb
37. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Ana
38. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... Clb
39. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at Car
40. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... at Det
41. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... at Phi
42. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... Car
43. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... at NYI
44. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... Bos
45. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... Det
46. Sun. Jan. 14 ..... NYR
47. Wed. Jan. 17 ..... at Ana
48. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... at LA
49. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at SJ
50. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... Car
51. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... Min
52. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... SJ
53. Fri. Feb. 2 ..... Wsh
54. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at NJ
55. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... Veg
56. Fri. Feb. 9 ..... at Dal
57. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... at StL
58. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... Ott
59. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... LA
60. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... Tor
61. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... at Clb
62. Fri. Feb. 23 ..... at Car
63. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... at Fla
64. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... NJ
65. Thu. Mar. 1 ..... at Bos
66. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... NYI
67. Mon. Mar. 5 ..... Cgy
68. Wed. Mar. 7 ..... at Phi
69. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at Tor
70. Sun. Mar. 11 ..... Dal
71. Wed. Mar. 14 ..... at NYR
72. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... at Mtl
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at NYI
74. Wed. Mar. 21 ..... Mtl
75. Fri. Mar. 23 ..... NJ
76. Sun. Mar. 25 ..... Phi
77. Tue. Mar. 27 ..... at Det
78. Thu. Mar. 29 ..... at NJ
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... Mtl
80. Sun. Apr. 1 ..... Wsh
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at Clb
82. Fri. Apr. 6 ..... Ott

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St. Louis BLUES

BY JEREMY RUTHERFORD

THE 2016-17 SEASON was the end of the Ken Hitchcock era in St. Louis, with coach-in-waiting Mike Yeo promoted sooner than expected by the Blues, and the early returns were impressive. Hitchcock guided the team to five straight post-seasons but was fired Feb. 1. Under Yeo, St. Louis went 22-8-2 over the rest of the regular season and lasted two rounds in the playoffs, restoring hope in an organization that's in a retooling period.

A summer with two significant changes has continued the revitalization. The Blues dealt center Jori Lehtera to Philadelphia in exchange for Brayden Schenn, who had more goals (25) than Lehtera had points (22) last year. The club also brought in a new coaching staff (Craig Berube, Darryl Sydor, Daniel Tkaczuk, Steve Ott and David Alexander) that's much younger than last year's version. The trade of fan-favorite Ryan Reaves had its critics, but the majority of the team's recent moves have been well received.

OFFENSE Vladimir Tarasenko finished a whisker away from another 40-goal season, but he was the only constant in the Blues' offense. After Tarasenko's 39 tallies, the next leading goal-scorer was Patrik Berglund with 23, and only one other NHL team had a larger gap than the Blues' 16-goal differential (Tampa Bay, 19).

The club averaged more goals per game last season than in 2015-16, but had no threat up the middle and too many inconsistent performers. Paul Stastny's 40 points were the most of any center on the team, and there were long droughts for Alexander Steen and Jaden Schwartz (one goal each in a 25-game stretch) and Berglund (one goal in 30 games). The swap of Lehtera for Schenn helps at center, and Robby Fabbri's return from knee surgery will ease some of the scoring burden.

'MIR MORTAL?
Vladimir Tarasenko has been St. Louis' superhuman sniper since breaking out three seasons ago. He'll be hunting for his first Rocket Richard Trophy in 2017-18.

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ALEX **PIETRANGELO**

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DEFENSE The Blues flourished defensively after the deadline deal that sent Kevin Shattenkirk to Washington. Team captain Alex Pietrangelo managed Shattenkirk's power play minutes, showing he may have more offense to offer, and Colton Parayko continued his ascent, assuming a top-four role.

The Blues need more point production from their defense, especially with the loss of Shattenkirk's quarterbacking abilities. The hard-shooting Parayko is capable of more scoring after seeing his goal total drop to four from nine, and he may get more opportunity if he supplants Pietrangelo on the top power play unit.

GOALTENDING Whether it was the influence of Martin Brodeur or Yeo replacing Hitchcock or Jake Allen just figuring it out on his own, the Blues' No. 1 netminder engineered a miraculous turnaround last season. After owning the NHL's worst save percentage among starting goalies, Allen posted elite numbers after the coaching change. The 27-year-old was superb in the playoffs, quieting concerns about a four-year, $17.4-million extension that kicks in this season. Carter Hutton returns as Allen's backup.

SPECIAL TEAMS The Blues had the eighth-best power play in the regular season, but the unit operated at just 6.7 percent in the postseason. That ranked last among the 16 playoff teams and contributed to the second-round loss to Nashville. Schenn's arrival will help. He tied for the most power play goals in the NHL with 17 and has 28 over the past two years. The team's penalty-killing unit finished third in the league under assistant coach Rick Wilson, who has moved on to Dallas.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
46-29-7 (99 pts)

OT/SO
6-5/2-2

DIVISION
3rd

OVERALL
10th

OFFENSE
2.84 GPG (12th)

DEFENSE
2.63 GAA (12th)

POWER PLAY
21.3% (8th)

PENALTY KILL
84.8% (3rd)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.58% (14th)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-6-7 (.703)

2-GOAL GAMES
9-10 (.473)

3+ GOAL GAMES
18-13 (.580)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Alexander Steen (19:18)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Alex Pietrangelo (25:16)

FAST FACTS

GM
Doug Armstrong

COACH
Mike Yeo

ARENA
Scottrade Center

CAPACITY
19,150

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,540 (7th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Chicago Wolves

PLAYOFF RECORD
22-27 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	102
2013-14	111
2014-15	109
2015-16	107
2016-17	99

INTANGIBLES The Blues have been one of the toughest teams in the West in recent years, but their composition has changed over the past two summers. They lost some beef when David Backes, Troy Brouwer and Ott left via free agency in 2016 and lost more after trading Reaves. St. Louis signed former Winnipeg enforcer Chris Thorburn to compensate.

ROOKIES The Blues took defenseman Jordan Schmaltz with the 25th pick in 2012 and he became the final first-rounder from that year to skate in an NHL game last season. Schmaltz only played nine games, but he has a shot to make the team this year. Jake Walman and Vince Dunn also are candidates on defense.

X-FACTOR Yeo will open his first full season behind the Blues' bench in good graces, but the spotlight on the 43-year-old will intensify now that he's had a summer to prepare. Fans want to see why GM Doug Armstrong handpicked Yeo as Hitchcock's successor so early when it was known that other coaches would become available.

THE BRASS Armstrong is entering the final season of his five-year contract, and it's a foregone conclusion that an extension is on the horizon. His teams have qualified for the playoffs six straight times and his big-picture approach illustrates the security he has with Tom Stillman's ownership group.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Jaden Schwartz
2 Alexander Steen
3 Robby Fabbri
4 Magnus Paajarvi
5 Zach Sanford

CENTER
1 Brayden Schenn
2 Paul Stastny
3 Patrik Berglund
4 Vladimir Sobotka
5 Kyle Brodziak

RIGHT WING
1 Vladimir Tarasenko
2 Ivan Barbashev
3 Dmitrij Jaskin
4 Beau Bennett
5 Chris Thorburn

DEFENSE
1 Alex Pietrangelo
2 Colton Parayko
3 Jay Bouwmeester
4 Joel Edmundson
5 Carl Gunnarsson
6 Jordan Schmaltz
7 Robert Bortuzzo
8 Petteri Lindbohm
9 Jake Walman
10 Vince Dunn

GOALIE
1 Jake Allen
2 Carter Hutton
3 Ville Husso

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES David Perron, LW; Jori Lehtera, C; Ryan Reaves, RW; Nail Yakupov, RW

TAGE **THOMPSON**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. TAGE THOMPSON, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Connecticut (HE)
Turned pro early after a second strong season in NCAA. Also starred at the world juniors.
ACQUIRED 26th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

2. IVAN BARBASHEV, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Chicago (AHL)
Offers a nice blend of skill and physical play. His skating still needs a boost.
ACQUIRED 33rd overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

3. JAKE WALMAN, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** Providence (HE)
He was ready for another challenge after his junior NCAA season. Played well in AHL debut.
ACQUIRED 82nd overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

4. ROBERT THOMAS, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Playmaking two-way forward excellent in the faceoff circle. He'll need to bulk up.
ACQUIRED 20th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

5. KLIM KOSTIN, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Moscow Dynamo (KHL)
Strong competitor with good offensive instincts slid on draft day due to injury.
ACQUIRED 31st overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

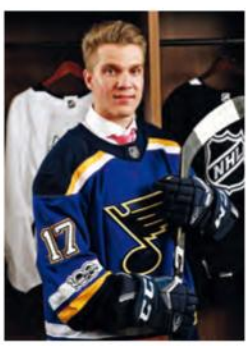
6. JORDAN KYROU, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sarnia (OHL)
The fastest skater in the Blues' system, he's a good bet to top 100 points in final OHL season.
ACQUIRED 35th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

7. VILLE HUSSO, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** Chicago (AHL)
Recalled from ECHL midway through year and stole the AHL starting job by the playoffs.
ACQUIRED 94th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

8. JORDAN SCHMALTZ, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Chicago (AHL)
Ready to make an NHL dent after three NCAA seasons and two more in AHL.
ACQUIRED 25th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

9. OSKAR SUNDQVIST, C
AGE 23 **TEAM** Wilkes-Barre/Scranton (AHL)
Rangy pivot had impressive bust-out second season in AHL. Part of Ryan Reaves trade.
ACQUIRED From Pit, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

10. VINCE DUNN, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Chicago (AHL)
Lightning-quick skater had smooth transition to AHL, including All-Star Game appearance.
ACQUIRED 56th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

ROBERT THOMAS

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
20th overall

2016-17 TEAM
London

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mike Fisher

SCOUTING REPORT
They don't come much smarter than Thomas. A versatile forward who can line up anywhere, the Knights' up-and-comer embraces defense and can really pile up the assists thanks to his playmaking.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Jake Allen	8/7/90	St. Louis	61	33	20	5	2.42	.915
Fredericton, N.B.		*6-2, 203*	*Draft: 34th overall ('08)*					
Jordan Binnington	7/11/93	Chicago (AHL)	32	16	7	8	2.71	.911
Richmond Hill, Ont.		*6-1, 167*	*Draft: 88th overall ('11)*					
Ville Husso	2/6/95	Chicago (AHL)	22	13	6	2	2.37	.920
Helsinki, Finland		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 94th overall ('14)*					
Carter Hutton	12/19/85	St. Louis	30	13	8	2	2.39	.913
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*					
Luke Opilka	2/27/97	Kitchener (OHL)	31	13	13	3	3.58	.889
Effingham, Ill.		*6-1, 192*	*Draft: 146th overall ('15)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Robert Bortuzzo	3/18/89	St. Louis	38	1	3	4	15
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-4, 221*	*Trade: Pit 3/2/15*				
Jay Bouwmeester	9/27/83	St. Louis	81	1	14	15	28
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-4, 221*	*Trade: Cgy 4/1/13*				
Chris Butler	10/27/86	Chicago (AHL)	72	5	21	26	46
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-1, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/16/14*				
Vince Dunn	10/29/96	Chicago (AHL)	72	13	32	45	71
Lindsay, Ont.		*6-0, 187*	*Draft: 56th overall ('15)*				
Joel Edmundson	6/28/93	St. Louis	69	3	12	15	60
Brandon, Man.		*6-4, 220*	*Draft: 46th overall ('11)*				
Carl Gunnarsson	11/9/86	St. Louis	56	0	6	6	4
Orebro, Sweden		*6-2, 197*	*Trade: Tor 6/28/14*				
Petteri Lindbohm	9/23/93	Chicago (AHL)	52	8	8	16	54
Helsinki, Finland		*6-3, 198*	*Draft: 176th overall ('12)*				
Colton Parayko	5/12/93	St. Louis	81	4	31	35	32
St. Albert, Alta.		*6-6, 226*	*Draft: 86th overall ('12)*				
Alex Pietrangelo	1/18/90	St. Louis	80	14	34	48	24
King City, Ont.		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 4th overall ('08)*				
Jordan Schmaltz	10/8/93	Chicago (AHL)	42	3	22	25	22
Madison, Wis.		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 25th overall ('12)*				
Dmitrii Sergeev	3/26/96	Mo/Nfk (ECHL)	36	1	4	5	8
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*6-3, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 9/28/14*				
Tommy Vannelli	1/26/95	Mo/Atl (ECHL)	46	1	18	19	21
Minnetonka, Minn.		*6-2, 165*	*Draft: 47th overall ('13)*				
Jake Walman	2/20/96	Providence (HE)	39	7	18	25	42
Toronto, Ont.		*6-1, 170*	*Draft: 82nd overall ('14)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Ivan Barbashev	12/14/95	St. Louis	30	5	7	12	2
Moscow, Russia		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 33rd overall ('14)*				
Patrik Berglund	6/2/88	St. Louis	82	23	11	34	32
Vasteras, Sweden		*6-4, 223*	*Draft: 25th overall ('06)*				
Conner Bleackley	2/7/96	Chicago (AHL)	45	2	8	10	8
High River, Alta.		*6-0, 192*	*Draft: 144th overall ('16)*				
Kyle Brodziak	5/25/84	St. Louis	69	8	7	15	27
St. Paul, Alta.		*6-2, 212*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/15*				
Wade Megan	7/22/90	Chicago (AHL)	73	33	33	66	57
Canton, N.Y.		*6-1, 192*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/16*				
Adam Musil	3/26/97	Red Deer (WHL)	56	20	31	51	74
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-3, 202*	*Draft: 94th overall ('15)*				
Brayden Schenn	8/22/91	Philadelphia	79	25	30	55	38
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-1, 195*	*Trade: Phi 6/23/17*				
Justin Selman	10/2/93	Chicago (AHL)	17	1	1	2	6
Upper Saddle River, N.J.		*6-0, 198*	*Free Agent: signed 3/28/16*				
Paul Stastny	12/27/85	St. Louis	66	18	22	40	36
Quebec City, Que.		*6-0, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Oskar Sundqvist	3/23/94	WB/Scranton (AHL)	63	20	26	46	52
Boden, Sweden		*6-3, 209*	*Trade: Pit 6/23/17*				
Robert Thomas	7/2/99	London (OHL)	66	16	50	66	26
Aurora, Ont.		*6-0, 188*	*Draft: 20th overall ('17)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Samuel Blais	6/17/96	Chicago (AHL)	75	26	17	43	58
Montmagny, Que.		*5-10, 164*	*Draft: 176th overall ('14)*				
Robby Fabbri	1/22/96	St. Louis	51	11	18	29	27
Mississauga, Ont.		*5-10, 195*	*Draft: 21st overall ('14)*				
Dmitrij Jaskin	3/23/93	St. Louis	51	1	10	11	18
Omsk, Russia		*6-2, 196*	*Draft: 41st overall ('11)*				
M. MacEachern	3/9/94	Chicago (AHL)	55	5	6	11	8
Bloomfield Hills, Mich.		*6-2, 190*	*Draft: 67th overall ('12)*				
Zach Sanford	11/9/94	Wsh/StL	39	4	4	8	10
Salem, Mass.		*6-3, 185*	*Trade: Wsh 2/27/17*				
Jaden Schwartz	6/25/92	St. Louis	78	19	36	55	18
Wilcox, Sask.		*5-10, 188*	*Draft: 14th overall ('10)*				
Vladimir Sobotka	7/2/87	Omsk (KHL)	41	9	21	30	30
Trebic, Czech.		*5-10, 197*	*Trade: Bos 6/26/10*				
Alexander Steen	3/1/84	St. Louis	76	16	35	51	53
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-0, 211*	*Trade: Tor 11/24/08*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Beau Bennett	11/27/91	New Jersey	65	8	11	19	20
Gardena, Calif.		*6-2, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Klim Kostin	5/5/99	Dyn. Moscow (KHL)	8	0	0	0	27
Penza, Russia		*6-3, 196*	*Draft: 31st overall ('17)*				
Jordan Kyrou	5/5/98	Sarnia (OHL)	66	30	64	94	36
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 175*	*Draft: 35th overall ('16)*				
Magnus Paajarvi	4/12/91	St. Louis	32	8	5	13	6
Norrkoping, Sweden		*6-3, 203*	*Trade: Edm 7/10/13*				
Vladimir Tarasenko	12/13/91	St. Louis	82	39	36	75	12
Yaroslavl, Russia		*6-0, 219*	*Draft: 16th overall ('10)*				
Tage Thompson	10/30/97	Connecticut (HE)	34	19	13	32	24
Phoenix, Ariz.		*6-5, 185*	*Draft: 26th overall ('16)*				
Chris Thorburn	6/3/83	Winnipeg	64	3	1	4	95
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.		*6-3, 235*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	EXTENDED STATS ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
91	Vladimir Tarasenko	82	39	36	75	-1	12	9	0	8	286	13.6	53	22	5	5	50.0	2:59	0:10	18:28	11	3	3	6	2	0
17	Jaden Schwartz	78	19	36	55	14	18	3	0	4	179	10.6	46	9	67	73	47.9	2:38	1:05	18:54	11	4	5	9	4	2
20	Alexander Steen	76	16	35	51	-2	53	3	0	2	117	13.7	35	16	101	146	40.9	2:54	1:51	19:18	10	3	4	7	1	4
27	Alex Pietrangelo	80	14	34	48	3	24	6	0	4	181	7.7	29	19	0	1	0.0	2:27	3:01	25:16	11	0	4	4	-3	8
57	David Perron	82	18	28	46	-2	54	3	1	3	151	11.9	32	13	32	34	48.5	2:07	1:08	17:17	11	0	1	1	-1	8
26	Paul Stastny	66	18	22	40	4	36	5	0	5	112	16.1	27	13	786	624	55.7	2:34	1:37	19:08	7	2	1	3	4	2
55	Colton Parayko	81	4	31	35	7	32	4	0	2	188	2.1	24	10	—	—	—	1:45	2:06	21:11	11	2	3	5	6	2
21	Patrik Berglund	82	23	11	34	-7	32	4	0	5	153	15.0	26	8	584	585	50.0	1:25	1:14	15:59	11	0	4	4	-1	10
15	Robby Fabbri	51	11	18	29	-16	27	4	0	0	91	12.1	20	9	13	11	54.2	2:16	0:02	15:36	—	—	—	—	—	—
12	Jori Lehtera	64	7	15	22	-6	34	0	0	1	67	10.4	19	3	409	423	49.2	1:21	0:25	15:10	8	1	3	4	5	4
10	Scottie Upshall	73	10	8	18	-1	45	0	2	1	85	11.8	16	0	3	9	25.0	0:03	1:46	10:59	11	0	0	0	-2	8
28	Kyle Brodziak	69	8	7	15	2	27	0	0	2	55	14.5	15	0	323	330	49.5	0:01	2:01	11:12	10	0	2	2	-3	2
6	Joel Edmundson	69	3	12	15	11	60	0	0	1	81	3.7	15	0	—	—	—	0:02	1:53	17:46	11	3	3	6	12	14
19	Jay Bouwmeester	81	1	14	15	6	28	0	0	0	106	0.9	14	1	—	—	—	0:08	2:59	22:24	11	0	0	0	-5	4
56	Magnus Paajarvi	32	8	5	13	9	6	1	0	3	51	15.7	12	1	1	2	33.3	0:15	0:40	12:09	8	1	2	3	1	2
75	Ryan Reaves	80	7	6	13	4	104	0	0	1	58	12.1	13	0	0	5	0.0	0:01	0:00	8:53	11	0	0	0	-1	8
49	*Ivan Barbashev	30	5	7	12	5	2	0	0	1	20	25.0	12	0	83	124	40.1	0:54	0:01	11:47	6	0	0	0	-1	2
23	Dmitrij Jaskin	51	1	10	11	5	18	0	0	0	55	1.8	11	0	5	5	50.0	0:23	0:00	11:33	2	1	0	1	-1	4
64	Nail Yakupov	40	3	6	9	-3	14	0	0	0	35	8.6	9	0	—	—	—	0:16	0:00	10:38	—	—	—	—	—	—
82	*Zach Sanford	39	4	4	8	2	10	0	0	2	36	11.1	8	0	17	22	43.6	0:31	0:15	10:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Wsh	26	2	1	3	0	6	0	0	1	23	8.7	3	0	10	8	55.6	0:00	0:22	10:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
	StL	13	2	3	5	2	4	0	0	1	13	15.4	5	0	7	14	33.3	1:33	0:00	12:14	4	0	0	0	0	0
4	Carl Gunnarsson	56	0	6	6	-5	4	0	0	0	32	0.0	6	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:48	13:35	11	0	0	0	-1	2
41	Robert Bortuzzo	38	1	3	4	11	15	0	0	0	45	2.2	4	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:52	14:05	10	0	0	0	-1	4
73	*Kenny Agostino	7	1	2	3	0	2	0	0	0	17	5.9	2	1	—	—	—	1:16	0:00	12:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
43	*Jordan Schmaltz	9	0	2	2	0	4	0	0	0	5	0.0	1	1	—	—	—	1:12	0:06	14:20	1	0	0	0	0	0
71	Vladimir Sobotka	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	50.0	1	0	6	6	50.0	4:22	1:48	16:41	11	2	4	6	4	2
61	Wade Megan	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	6	16.7	1	0	13	14	48.1	0:02	0:26	8:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Carter Hutton	30	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Jake Allen	61	0	1	1	—	4	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	11	0	0	0	—	0
30	*Pheonix Copley	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Chris Butler	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:17	1:35	21:28	—	—	—	—	—	—
48	Petteri Lindbohm	7	0	0	0	-4	4	0	0	0	10	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:10	12:59	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
40	Carter Hutton	30	1,459	2.39	13	8	2	7	4	58	663	.913	0	1	4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Jake Allen	61	3,418	2.42	33	20	5	8	4	138	1,620	.915	0	1	4	11	675	1.96	6	5	1	0	22	336	.935
30	*Pheonix Copley	1	59	5.08	0	1	0	0	0	5	29	.828	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 . . . . . at Pit
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . Dal
3. Mon. Oct. 9 . . . . . at NYI
4. Tue. Oct. 10 . . . . . at NYR
5. Thu. Oct. 12 . . . . . at Fla
6. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . at TB
7. Wed. Oct. 18 . . . . . Chi
8. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . at Col
9. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . at Veg
10. Wed. Oct. 25 . . . . . Cgy
11. Fri. Oct. 27 . . . . . at Car
12. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . Clb
13. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . LA
14. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . Phi
15. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Tor
16. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . at NJ
17. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . Ari
18. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . NYI
19. Mon. Nov. 13 . . . . . at Cgy
20. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . at Edm
21. Sat. Nov. 18 . . . . . at Van
22. Tue. Nov. 21 . . . . . Edm
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . Nsh
24. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . Min
25. Wed. Nov. 29 . . . . . Ana
26. Fri. Dec. 1 . . . . . LA
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at Min
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . at Mtl
29. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . Dal
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . at Det
31. Sun. Dec. 10 . . . . . Buf
32. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . TB
33. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . Ana
34. Sat. Dec. 16 . . . . . Wpg
35. Sun. Dec. 17 . . . . at Wpg
36. Wed. Dec. 20 . . . . at Cgy
37. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . at Edm
38. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at Van
39. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . Nsh
40. Fri. Dec. 29 . . . . . at Dal
41. Sat. Dec. 30 . . . . . Car
42. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . NJ
43. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . Veg
44. Sat. Jan. 6 . . . . . at Phi
45. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Wsh
46. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . Fla
47. Tue. Jan. 16 . . . . . at Tor
48. Thu. Jan. 18 . . . . . at Ott
49. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . Ari
50. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . Ott
51. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Col
52. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . Mtl
53. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . at Bos
54. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . at Buf
55. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . Min
56. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . Col
57. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at Wpg
58. Sun. Feb. 11 . . . . . Pit
59. Tue. Feb. 13 . . . . . at Nsh
60. Fri. Feb. 16 . . . . . at Dal
61. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . SJ
62. Fri. Feb. 23 . . . . . Wpg
63. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at Nsh
64. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . at Min
65. Wed. Feb. 28 . . . . . Det
66. Sat. Mar. 3 . . . . . at Dal
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . at SJ
68. Sat. Mar. 10 . . . . . at LA
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . at Ana
70. Thu. Mar. 15 . . . . . Col
71. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . NYR
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . at Chi
73. Wed. Mar. 21 . . . . . Bos
74. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . Van
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at Clb
76. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . SJ
77. Fri. Mar. 30 . . . . . at Veg
78. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Ari
79. Mon. Apr. 2 . . . . . Wsh
80. Wed. Apr. 4 . . . . . Chi
81. Fri. Apr. 6 . . . . . at Chi
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . at Col

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San Jose SHARKS

BY DAVID POLLAK

LAST SPRING'S PLAYOFF loss to Edmonton would seem to be the case of an older team on the decline bounced by a younger one on the rise. Now the Sharks must show that their first-round exit one year after reaching the Stanley Cup final was only a blip, not the start of a downhill slide.

That will be a tough task coming off a summer at the crossroads. With both Patrick Marleau, 38, and Joe Thornton, 38, testing free agency, GM Doug Wilson had to balance rewards for the franchise's longtime standouts with future commitments to other key players. Ultimately, Thornton accepted a one-year, $8-million deal, while Marleau was lured to Toronto by a generous three-year, $18.75-million offer. No team with a Norris Trophy-winning defenseman, three proven high-end scorers and solid goaltending should be dismissed, but the Sharks will need increased offense from unproven sources to become legitimate contenders once again.

OFFENSE Marleau contributed in all three zones, but his scoring will be missed most on a team that finished 19th in offense. A trade could be coming, but the Sharks said they initially will look internally to replace Marleau's 27 tallies from last season.

Coach Pete DeBoer didn't mask his disappointment in late April that forwards Joonas Donskoi and Chris Tierney hadn't progressed while Mikkel Boedker failed to meet expectations in his first season with San Jose. Timo Meier, the ninth overall draft pick in 2015, has the pedigree to step up, but he managed only six points in 34 NHL games last season. Other potential in-house contributors include Kevin Labanc, Danny O'Regan and Marcus Sorensen. If no one steps up, the Sharks will have to rely even more on their remaining big guns, with the two Joes – Pavelski and Thornton – on one line and Logan Couture anchoring another.

MARTIN JONES

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
46-29-7 (99 pts)

OT/SO
6-6/2-1

DIVISION
3rd

OVERALL
11th

OFFENSE
2.67 GPG (19th)

DEFENSE
2.44 GAA (5th)

POWER PLAY
16.7% (25th)

PENALTY KILL
80.7% (18th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
51.90% (5th)

1-GOAL GAMES
19-14-7 (.563)

2-GOAL GAMES
13-4 (.764)

3+ GOAL GAMES
14-11 (.560)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Joe Pavelski (19:07)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Brent Burns (24:51)

FAST FACTS

GM
Doug Wilson

COACH
Peter DeBoer

ARENA
SAP Center

CAPACITY
17,562

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
17,508 (19th)

AHL AFFILIATE
San Jose Barracuda

ECHL AFFILIATE
Allen Americans

PLAYOFF RECORD
26-20 (since 2013)

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DEFENSE Seven months after inking Brent Burns to an eight-year, $64-million deal, Wilson signed Marc-Edouard Vlasic to a $56-million extension of equal length. That stabilizes the blueline. Expect Norris Trophy-winning Burns – who posted a career-high 29 goals and team-leading 76 points – to again be a beast at both ends of the ice, paired with Paul Martin. Expect Vlasic and Justin Braun to continue as the shutdown tandem.

With David Schlemko lost in the expansion draft, change is coming to the third pairing. Again, the Sharks are looking internally with Dylan DeMelo, whose style is similar to Schlemko's, seemingly in position to move into the rotation alongside Brenden Dillon. Tim Heed and Joakim Ryan, who have been toiling in the AHL, will get a long look, too.

GOALTENDING Martin Jones experienced a slight statistical drop-off from his first season as San Jose's starter, but there was still a lot to

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like about his body of work – 35 wins, 2.40 goals-against average, .912 save percentage – and the Sharks rewarded him with a six-year, $34.5-million contract extension. Aaron Dell, a solid backup in his rookie season who posted better numbers than Jones, will return in the same role.

SPECIAL TEAMS High on DeBoer's to-do list is the repair of a power play that dropped from second-best in the NHL to 25th. Only four Sharks players scored more than one power play goal last season, and Marleau was one of them with seven. Look for systemic changes. The penalty kill needs improvement after finishing in the bottom half for a third straight season. With former assistant Bob Boughner moving on to the Florida Panthers, successor Rob Zettler could have a reshaped role.

FEAR THE BEARD
There may not be a scarier two-way threat than Brent Burns, who cemented his place as one of the NHL's best in 2016-17 by leading all D-men in scoring and winning his first Norris Trophy.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	97
2013-14	111
2014-15	89
2015-16	98
2016-17	99

INTANGIBLES His former teammates had said they hoped Marleau would be back. Will his absence be a distraction? The ex-captain wasn't a rah-rah guy, but he did lead by example over his 20-year career and had the respect of his teammates.

ROOKIES In recent years the Sharks have had better luck with European free agents (Donskoi, Melker Karlsson) than with some of their first-round picks. If the pattern holds, Czech defenseman Radim Simek, 24, could be this season's pleasant surprise.

X-FACTOR San Jose essentially has three top-six forwards and three vacancies, with a top priority of finding someone with the skill and smarts to play with Couture. Don't expect Tomas Hertl to move back to the wing to accomplish that. The Sharks still see him more valuable as their third-line center.

THE BRASS This summer had to be one of the most challenging yet for Wilson, who's the third-longest tenured GM in the NHL. Those long-term deals for Vlasic and Jones make sense, but ultimately, Wilson's off-season will be judged on how San Jose fares without Marleau, the Sharks' all-time leading scorer.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Mikkel Boedker
2 Melker Karlsson
3 Joonas Donskoi
4 Marcus Sorensen
5 Barclay Goodrow

CENTER
1 Joe Thornton
2 Logan Couture
3 Tomas Hertl
4 Chris Tierney
5 Danny O'Regan

RIGHT WING
1 Joe Pavelski
2 Jannik Hansen
3 Joel Ward
4 Kevin Labanc
5 Timo Meier

DEFENSE
1 Brent Burns
2 Marc-Edouard Vlasic
3 Paul Martin
4 Justin Braun
5 Brenden Dillon
6 Dylan DeMelo
7 Tim Heed
8 Joakim Ryan
9 Radim Simek
10 Julius Bergman

GOALIE
1 Martin Jones
2 Aaron Dell
3 Antoine Bibeau

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Patrick Marleau, LW; Mirco Mueller, D; David Schlemko, D; Micheal Haley, LW

JEREMY ROY

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. JOSH NORRIS, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** U.S. NTDP (USHL)
Gritty, speedy offensive finisher can fit in on any line. He's off to NCAA Michigan.
ACQUIRED 19th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

2. DANNY O'REGAN, C
AGE 23 **TEAM** San Jose (AHL)
Undersized Brown University grad didn't miss a beat as AHL rookie. Positions himself well.
ACQUIRED 138th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

3. JEREMY ROY, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Blainville-Boisbriand (QMJHL)
Offensive stalwart from blueline missed a key year of development due to knee injury.
ACQUIRED 31st overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

4. NOAH ROD, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Geneve (Swi.)
Offense not coming around for feisty winger. Projects as bottom-six energy player.
ACQUIRED 53rd overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

5. MARIO FERRARO, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Des Moines (USHL)
Small, mobile blueliner bound for UMass-Amherst. Excels at moving the puck.
ACQUIRED 49th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

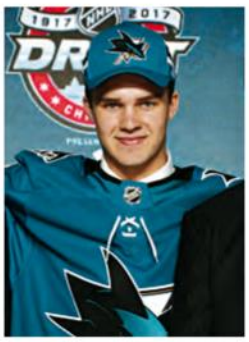
6. DYLAN GAMBRELL, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Denver (NCHC)
Fast, smart pivot turned heads at development camp last year. Entering junior NCAA season.
ACQUIRED 60th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. JULIUS BERGMAN, D
AGE 21 **TEAM** San Jose (AHL)
Solidly built right-shooting defenseman made offensive strides in second AHL season.
ACQUIRED 46th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

8. SCOTT REEDY, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** U.S. NTDP (USHL)
Strong north-south skater plays with edge. Bottom-six upside. Bound for NCAA Minnesota.
ACQUIRED 102nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

9. ADAM HELEWKA, LW
AGE 22 **TEAM** San Jose (AHL)
Two-time 40-goal man in major junior plays unheralded but responsible two-way game.
ACQUIRED 106th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

10. RUDOLFS BALCERS, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Kamloops (WHL)
Swift Latvian impressed in lone WHL season with quick release. Ready for AHL challenge.
ACQUIRED 142nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

JOSH NORRIS

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
19th overall

2016-17 TEAM
U.S. NTDP

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Logan Couture

SCOUTING REPORT
An athletic freak who won numerous categories at the draft combine, Norris was a consistent player on a so-so U.S. NTDP squad. He's headed to Michigan, where the Wolverines can use his skating and IQ.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Antoine Bibeau	5/1/94	Toronto (AHL)	32	13	14	5	3.08	.894
Victoriaville, Que.		*6-3, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Aaron Dell	5/4/89	San Jose	20	11	6	1	2.00	.931
Airdrie, Alta.		*6-0, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 3/1/15*					
Troy Grosenick	8/27/89	San Jose (AHL)	49	30	10	5	2.04	.926
Brookfield, Wis.		*6-1, 185*	*Free Agent: signed 4/7/13*					
Martin Jones	1/10/90	San Jose	65	35	23	6	2.40	.912
North Vancouver, B.C.		*6-4, 190*	*Trade: Bos 6/30/15*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Julius Bergman	11/2/95	San Jose (AHL)	64	3	27	30	40
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 205*	*Draft: 46th overall ('14)*				
Justin Braun	2/10/87	San Jose	81	4	9	13	28
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 201st overall ('07)*				
Michael Brodzinski	5/28/95	Allen (ECHL)	23	3	7	10	14
Coon Rapids, Minn.		*5-11, 195*	*Draft: 141st overall ('13)*				
Brent Burns	3/9/85	San Jose	82	29	47	76	40
Barrie, Ont.		*6-5, 230*	*Trade: Min 6/24/11*				
Dylan Demelo	5/1/93	San Jose	25	1	7	8	14
London, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 179th overall ('11)*				
Nick DeSimone	11/21/94	Union (ECAC)	38	9	10	19	16
East Amherst, N.Y.		*6-2, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/17*				
Brenden Dillon	11/13/90	San Jose	81	2	8	10	60
New Westminster, B.C.		*6-4, 230*	*Trade: Dal 11/21/14*				
Mario Ferraro	9/17/98	Des Moines (USHL)	60	8	33	41	42
Toronto, Ont.		*5-11, 184*	*Draft: 49th overall ('17)*				
Tim Heed	1/27/91	San Jose (AHL)	55	14	42	56	12
Gothenburg, Sweden		*5-11, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 5/21/16*				
Paul Martin	3/5/81	San Jose	81	4	22	26	20
Minneapolis, Minn.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Jeremy Roy	5/14/97	B.-Boisbriand (QMJHL)	10	2	1	3	9
Longueuil, Que.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 31st overall ('15)*				
Joakim Ryan	6/17/93	San Jose (AHL)	65	10	39	49	41
Rumson, N.J.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 198th overall ('12)*				
Radim Simek	9/20/92	Liberec (Cze)	42	11	13	24	30
Mlada Boleslav, Czech.		*5-10, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 5/22/17*				
Marc-Edouard Vlasic	3/30/87	San Jose	75	6	22	28	35
Montreal, Que.		*6-1, 205*	*Draft: 35th overall ('05)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Ryan Carpenter	1/18/91	San Jose (AHL)	54	14	25	39	24
Oviedo, Fla.		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 3/26/14*				
Rourke Chartier	4/3/96	San Jose (AHL)	67	17	18	35	10
Saskatoon, Sask.		*5-11, 190*	*Draft: 149th overall ('14)*				
Logan Couture	3/28/89	San Jose	73	25	27	52	12
Guelph, Ont.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 9th overall ('07)*				
Dylan Gambrell	8/26/96	Denver (NCHC)	38	13	29	42	21
Bonney Lake, Wash.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 60th overall ('16)*				
Tomas Hertl	11/12/93	San Jose	49	10	12	22	14
Prague, Czech.		*6-2, 215*	*Draft: 17th overall ('12)*				
Josh Norris	5/5/99	Team USA (USHL)	25	12	14	26	18
Oxford, Mich.		*6-1, 192*	*Draft: 19th overall ('17)*				
Danny O'Regan	1/30/94	San Jose (AHL)	63	23	35	58	10
Berlin, Germany		*5-9, 180*	*Draft: 138th overall ('12)*				
Scott Reedy	4/4/99	Team USA U18 (NTDP)	60	22	20	42	51
Prior Lake, Minn.		*6-2, 204*	*Draft: 102nd overall ('17)*				
Filip Sandberg	7/23/94	HV71 (Swe)	52	8	17	25	16
Stockholm, Sweden		*5-9, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 5/23/17*				
Joe Thornton	7/2/79	San Jose	79	7	43	50	51
London, Ont.		*6-4, 220*	*Trade: Bos 11/30/05*				
Chris Tierney	7/1/94	San Jose	80	11	12	23	6
Keswick, Ont.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 55th overall ('12)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Rudolfs Balcers	4/8/97	Kamloops (WHL)	66	40	37	77	16
Liepaja, Latvia		*5-11, 165*	*Draft: 142nd overall ('15)*				
Joonas Donskoi	4/13/92	San Jose	61	6	11	17	10
Raahe, Finland		*6-0, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 5/19/15*				
Barclay Goodrow	2/26/93	San Jose (AHL)	61	25	20	45	55
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 3/6/14*				
Jannik Hansen	3/15/86	Van/SJ	43	8	12	20	34
Rodovre, Denmark		*6-1, 194*	*Trade: Van 2/28/17*				
Adam Helewka	7/21/95	San Jose (AHL)	58	14	15	29	28
Burnaby, B.C.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 106th overall ('15)*				
Kevin Labanc	12/12/95	San Jose	55	8	12	20	22
Brooklyn, N.Y.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 171st overall ('14)*				
Timo Meier	10/8/96	San Jose	34	3	3	6	10
Herisau, Switzerland		*6-0, 210*	*Draft: 9th overall ('15)*				
Marcus Sorensen	4/7/92	San Jose (AHL)	43	17	17	34	23
Sodertalje, Sweden		*5-11, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 5/13/16*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Mikkel Boedker	12/16/89	San Jose	81	10	16	26	10
Brondby, Denmark		*6-0, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Melker Karlsson	7/18/90	San Jose	67	11	11	22	22
Lycksele, Sweden		*6-0, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 5/30/14*				
Jon Martin	8/23/95	San Jose (AHL)	26	2	3	5	23
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 3/2/16*				
Joe Pavelski	7/11/84	San Jose	81	29	39	68	34
Plover, Wis.		*5-11, 190*	*Draft: 205th overall ('03)*				
Noah Rod	6/7/96	Geneve-Servette (Swi)	27	5	9	14	22
La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switz.		*6-0, 195*	*Draft: 53rd overall ('14)*				
Alex Schoenborn	12/12/95	San Jose (AHL)	29	1	3	4	25
Minot, N.D.		*6-1, 200*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('14)*				
Joel Ward	12/2/80	San Jose	78	10	19	29	30
North York, Ont.		*6-1, 225*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/15*				

*Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
88	Brent Burns	82	29	47	76	19	40	8	0	6	320	9.1	50	25	—	—	—	3:35	1:43	24:51	6	0	3	3	-1	6
8	Joe Pavelski	81	29	39	68	11	34	7	1	7	233	12.4	45	22	449	407	52.5	3:20	0:18	19:07	6	2	2	4	-1	0
39	Logan Couture	73	25	27	52	11	12	11	0	3	174	14.4	36	15	297	456	39.4	3:01	1:05	17:36	6	2	1	3	-1	0
19	Joe Thornton	79	7	43	50	7	51	1	0	0	81	8.6	31	19	375	362	50.9	3:20	0:01	18:03	4	0	2	2	-1	0
12	Patrick Marleau	82	27	19	46	4	28	7	0	6	190	14.2	30	16	115	100	53.5	3:01	0:05	17:09	6	3	1	4	-1	0
42	Joel Ward	78	10	19	29	-2	30	1	2	2	105	9.5	24	3	223	233	48.9	1:14	1:22	15:56	6	1	3	4	0	4
44	Marc-Edouard Vlasic	75	6	22	28	4	35	1	0	2	144	4.2	20	7	—	—	—	1:55	2:04	21:14	6	0	3	3	-1	2
89	Mikkel Boedker	81	10	16	26	0	10	0	1	2	122	8.2	24	1	5	13	27.8	1:32	0:50	14:20	4	1	1	2	0	2
7	Paul Martin	81	4	22	26	10	20	0	0	1	57	7.0	26	0	—	—	—	0:10	1:51	19:13	6	1	0	1	-1	4
50	Chris Tierney	80	11	12	23	0	6	1	1	2	90	12.2	20	1	401	425	48.5	0:16	1:47	14:36	6	0	1	1	0	0
68	Melker Karlsson	67	11	11	22	7	22	0	2	1	73	15.1	20	0	1	5	16.7	0:06	1:34	12:48	6	1	0	1	0	6
48	Tomas Hertl	49	10	12	22	-8	14	1	0	4	100	10.0	20	2	245	229	51.7	1:51	1:12	17:13	6	0	2	2	0	2
36	Jannik Hansen	43	8	12	20	2	34	0	0	1	73	11.0	20	0	0	1	0.0	0:11	1:29	16:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Van	28	6	7	13	2	27	0	0	1	56	10.7	13	0	—	—	—	0:06	1:18	16:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SJ	15	2	5	7	0	7	0	0	0	17	11.8	7	0	0	1	0.0	0:21	1:48	15:30	6	0	1	1	0	0
62	*Kevin Labanc	55	8	12	20	9	22	0	0	2	70	11.4	18	2	2	2	50.0	1:08	0:11	13:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	David Schlemko	62	2	16	18	4	14	1	0	1	118	1.7	15	3	—	—	—	1:31	0:26	16:44	6	2	1	3	2	2
27	Joonas Donskoi	61	6	11	17	-5	10	1	0	0	95	6.3	13	4	8	8	50.0	1:24	0:00	13:48	5	0	2	2	-3	0
61	Justin Braun	81	4	9	13	1	28	0	0	0	95	4.2	11	0	—	—	—	0:07	2:07	20:04	6	0	1	1	-1	0
38	Micheal Haley	58	2	10	12	6	128	0	0	1	37	5.4	12	0	66	83	44.3	0:01	0:01	9:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Brenden Dillon	81	2	8	10	-2	60	0	0	0	86	2.3	10	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:48	16:28	6	0	1	1	1	4
74	Dylan Demelo	25	1	7	8	2	14	0	0	0	32	3.1	8	0	—	—	—	1:19	0:20	15:53	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	*Timo Meier	34	3	3	6	1	10	0	0	1	85	3.5	6	0	1	4	20.0	0:11	0:24	12:28	5	0	0	0	0	2
40	*Ryan Carpenter	11	2	2	4	5	4	0	0	0	20	10.0	4	0	34	41	45.3	0:03	0:48	10:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	*Marcus Sorensen	19	1	3	4	-1	4	0	0	1	27	3.7	4	0	3	1	75.0	0:06	0:38	10:48	6	1	1	2	1	0
41	Mirco Mueller	4	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	3	33.3	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:14	9:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
65	*Daniel O'Regan	3	1	0	1	-2	0	1	0	0	5	20.0	0	1	15	17	46.9	0:23	0:12	11:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Barclay Goodrow	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:24	11:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
72	*Tim Heed	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:51	0:00	16:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Aaron Dell	20	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Martin Jones	65	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	0	0	0	—	0

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
30	Aaron Dell	20	1111	2.00	11	6	1	3	1	37	533	.931	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Martin Jones	65	3,800	2.40	35	23	6	8	2	152	1,725	.912	0	0	0	6	377	1.75	2	4	1	1	11	168	.935

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 . . . . . Phi
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . LA
3. Thu. Oct. 12. . . . . Buf
4. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . NYI
5. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . Mtl
6. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . at NJ
7. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . at NYI
8. Mon. Oct. 23 . . . . at NYR
9. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at Bos
10. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at Buf
11. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . Tor
12. Wed. Nov. 1. . . . . Nsh
13. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Ana
14. Wed. Nov. 8 . . . . . TB
15. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . Van
16. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . at LA
17. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . Fla
18. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . Bos
19. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . . Ana
20. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . at Ari
21. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at Veg
22. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . Wpg
23. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . at Phi
24. Fri. Dec. 1. . . . . at Fla
25. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . at TB
26. Mon. Dec. 4 . . . . . at Wsh
27. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . Car
28. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . Ott
29. Sun. Dec. 10 . . . . . Min
30. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . at Cgy
31. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . at Van
32. Mon. Dec. 18. . . . . at Edm
33. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . Van
34. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . LA
35. Thu. Dec. 28. . . . . Cgy
36. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . at Dal
37. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . at Mtl
38. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Tor
39. Fri. Jan. 5 . . . . . at Ott
40. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Wpg
41. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . Ari
42. Mon. Jan. 15 . . . . . at LA
43. Tue. Jan. 16. . . . . at Ari
44. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . at Col
45. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . Pit
46. Sun. Jan. 21. . . . . at Ana
47. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . Wpg
48. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . NYR
49. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . at Pit
50. Wed. Jan. 31. . . . . at Det
51. Fri. Feb. 2 . . . . . at Clb
52. Sun. Feb. 4. . . . . at Car
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . at Col
54. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . Veg
55. Sat. Feb. 10. . . . . Edm
56. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . at Ana
57. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . Ari
58. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . Van
59. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . Dal
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . at StL
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at Nsh
62. Fri. Feb. 23 . . . . . at Chi
63. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at Min
64. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . Edm
65. Thu. Mar. 1. . . . . Chi
66. Sun. Mar. 4 . . . . . Clb
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . StL
68. Sat. Mar. 10. . . . . Wsh
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . Det
70. Wed. Mar. 14. . . . . at Edm
71. Fri. Mar. 16. . . . . at Cgy
72. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . at Van
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . NJ
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . Veg
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . Cgy
76. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . at Chi
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . at StL
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Nsh
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Veg
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . Dal
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Col
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . Min

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Tampa Bay LIGHTNING

BY ERIK ERLENDSSON

THE LIGHTNING ARE now on notice. After entering last season as a Stanley Cup favorite, Tampa Bay failed to make the post-season for the first time since 2013.

The roster has undergone a bit of a makeover with Valtteri Filppula, Brian Boyle and Ben Bishop traded at the deadline and Jason Garrison claimed by Vegas in the expansion draft. Most significantly, Jonathan Drouin was dealt to Montreal in July. With veterans Dan Girardi and Chris Kunitz added in free agency, one of the youngest teams in the league picked up some experience, while a healthy Steven Stamkos and Ryan Callahan would be akin to picking up off-season acquisitions. If it all fails to add up to a playoff berth, more significant changes will be in store.

OFFENSE Nikita Kucherov reached the 40-goal plateau last season and emerged as an NHL MVP candidate, carrying the team down the stretch. The return of a healthy Stamkos is a big boost, but the Bolts will have a difficult time replacing the creativity of Drouin, particularly on the power play.

Behind those top scorers, Tampa Bay needs bounce-back efforts from Tyler Johnson and Ondrej Palat along with more consistency from Alex Killorn to provide balance on the top lines. Vladislav Namestnikov is still looking for his breakout season while Yanni Gourde came on strong late to score some key goals and earn a new contract along with a penciled-in spot in the top-nine. Kunitz will chip in, while Brayden Point should be an offensive fixture after a 40-point rookie year.

DEFENSE Victor Hedman was a Norris Trophy finalist last season and Anton Stralman remains a steady presence on the second pairing. After that, it's youth and question marks.

VICTOR HEDMAN

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
42-30-10 (94 pts)

OT/SO
6-7/4-3

DIVISION
5th

OVERALL
18th

OFFENSE
2.80 GPG (14th)

DEFENSE
2.73 GAA (16th)

POWER PLAY
22.8% (6th)

PENALTY KILL
81.4% (13th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.93% (10th)

1-GOAL GAMES
15-5-10 (.667)

2-GOAL GAMES
7-13 (.350)

3+ GOAL GAMES
20-12 (.625)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Nikita Kucherov (19:26)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Victor Hedman (24:30)

FAST FACTS

GM
Steve Yzerman

COACH
Jon Cooper

ARENA
Amalie Arena

CAPACITY
19,204

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,092 (8th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Syracuse Crunch

PLAYOFF RECORD
25-19 (since 2013)

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Girardi signed as a free agent to replace Garrison, while Andrej Sustr and Braydon Coburn round out the veteran influence. Jake Dotchin emerged as a viable top-pairing option after a January recall, mostly playing alongside Hedman in what was an impressive half-season. Slater Koekkoek, the 10th overall pick in the 2012 draft, will make the jump in his fourth pro season. Highly touted Mikhail Sergachev, acquired from Montreal in the Drouin deal, will also come to camp looking to earn a job, even with a year of junior eligibility remaining.

GOALTENDING The net now belongs to Andrei Vasilevskiy. After the trade of former Vezina Trophy finalist Bishop last season, Tampa Bay turned the crease over to the 23-year-old goaltender who has 90 games of NHL experience after being selected 19th overall in 2012. Peter Budaj, who played well after coming over at the trade deadline, will han-

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dle the backup duties after signing a two-year contract extension, while veteran Michael Leighton came over as a free agent to be the No. 3 netminder and mentor first-year pro Connor Ingram in AHL Syracuse.

SPECIAL TEAMS Under assistant coach Todd Richards, the Lightning's power play became a source of strength, finishing sixth in the league one year after ranking 26th – and that improvement was made without Stamkos for most of the season. With the return of Stamkos, the power play figures to be fearsome. The penalty kill took a slight step back, falling to 13th from seventh. A healthy Callahan and the additions of Girardi and Kunitz will help.

ANOTHER LEVEL
Injuries plagued the Lightning last season, ultimately costing them a playoff spot, but Nikita Kucherov put the team on his back and earned MVP consideration in a breakout campaign.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	68
2013-14	101
2014-15	108
2015-16	97
2016-17	94

INTANGIBLES When Stamkos and Callahan were both absent last year for long stretches, the leadership void was felt. Those two are expected back on a full-time basis, while veterans Girardi and Kunitz were brought in to join Coburn, Hedman and Stralman as experienced leaders.

ROOKIES The Lightning's farm system is loaded with upcoming prospects, but the best of the bunch is newly acquired Sergachev, the ninth overall pick in 2016. The 19-year-old defenseman, who won the Memorial Cup with OHL Windsor last season, plays with flair and confidence and will be given every opportunity to make an impact.

X-FACTOR After enduring injuries throughout the season, the Lightning need to avoid the crippling long-term variety that plagued Stamkos and Callahan in 2016-17. If healthy, the Lightning will contend for the Presidents' Trophy and Stanley Cup.

THE BRASS Coach Jon Cooper came under fire as the team stumbled through the first three months last season, but a late charge staved off thoughts of a change behind the bench even as Cooper failed to lead a team to the post-season for the first time in his professional career. Another slow start will land Cooper on the hot seat.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Ondrej Palat
2 Alex Killorn
3 Vladislav Namestnikov
4 Chris Kunitz
5 Erik Condra

CENTER
1 Steven Stamkos
2 Tyler Johnson
3 Brayden Point
4 Cedric Paquette
5 Cory Conacher

RIGHT WING
1 Nikita Kucherov
2 Ryan Callahan
3 Yanni Gourde
4 J.T. Brown
5 Adam Erne

DEFENSE
1 Victor Hedman
2 Anton Stralman
3 Braydon Coburn
4 Dan Girardi
5 Mikhail Sergachev
6 Jake Dotchin
7 Andrej Sustr
8 Slater Koekkoek
9 Jamie McBain
10 Ben Thomas

GOALIE
1 Andrei Vasilevskiy
2 Peter Budaj
3 Michael Leighton

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Jonathan Drouin, RW; Jason Garrison, D

MIKHAIL **SERGACHEV**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. MIKHAIL SERGACHEV, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Hard-shooting, physical blueliner is mature beyond his 19 years. He's ready to step right in.
ACQUIRED From Mtl, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

2. CAL FOOTE, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Kelowna (WHL)
Son of ex-NHLer Adam needs to improve his footwork, but he's sturdy and intelligent.
ACQUIRED 14th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. LIBOR HAJEK, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Saskatoon (WHL)
A smart defender who doesn't force plays on the rush. His skating has improved.
ACQUIRED 37th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. ANTHONY CIRELLI, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
Offense got boost after trade from Oshawa. Had great playoff with 15 goals in 22 games.
ACQUIRED 72nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

5. SLATER KOEKKOEK, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Syracuse (AHL)
Stronger defensive play will get him over the hump. Has outside shot to be a third-pair guy.
ACQUIRED 10th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

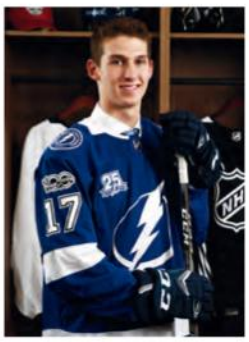
6. TAYLOR RADDYSH, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Erie (OHL)
His ability to score and make plays are not in question, but his skating abilities are.
ACQUIRED 58th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

7. BRETT HOWDEN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Moose Jaw (WHL)
Captain got pro taste with eight AHL games (three goals) late last season. A 200-foot player.
ACQUIRED 27th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

8. MATHIEU JOSEPH, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Saint John (QMJHL)
Two-way winger took game to another level with excellent playoff (32 points in 18 games).
ACQUIRED 120th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

9. ALEXANDER VOLKOV, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** St. Petersburg Jr. (Rus.)
Slipped through drafts in 2015 and '16. Needs to cut down on time spent in penalty box.
ACQUIRED 48th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

10. MITCHELL STEPHENS, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Sub six-footer does a lot of things well, but his production has been slow in coming.
ACQUIRED 33rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

CAL FOOTE

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
14th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Kelowna

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Erik Johnson

SCOUTING REPORT
With excellent size and an NHL pedigree, there's a lot to like about Foote. His skating needs to improve, but he can be effective using his smarts or his strength. The kid has some offense, too.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Peter Budaj	9/18/82	LA/TB	60	30	21	3	2.18	.915
Banska Bystrica, Slovakia		*6-1, 196*	*Trade: LA 2/26/17*					
Connor Ingram	3/31/97	Kamloops (WHL)	45	26	14	4	2.44	.927
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-1, 204*	*Draft: 88th overall ('16)*					
Michael Leighton	5/19/81	Charlotte (AHL)	23	11	7	3	2.17	.921
Petrolia, Ont.		*6-3, 186*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Andrei Vasilevskiy	7/25/94	Tampa Bay	50	23	17	7	2.61	.917
Tyumen, Russia		*6-3, 207*	*Draft: 19th overall ('12)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Erik Cernak	5/28/97	Erie (OHL)	50	3	18	21	53
Kosice, Slovakia		*6-3, 203*	*Trade: LA 2/26/17*				
Braydon Coburn	2/27/85	Tampa Bay	80	5	7	12	50
Shaunavon, Sask.		*6-5, 223*	*Trade: Phi 3/2/15*				
Jake Dotchin	3/24/94	Tampa Bay	35	0	11	11	35
Cambridge, Ont.		*6-3, 212*	*Draft: 161st overall ('12)*				
Cal Foote	12/13/98	Kelowna (WHL)	71	6	51	57	41
Denver, Colo.		*6-4, 212*	*Draft: 14th overall ('17)*				
Dan Girardi	4/29/84	NY Rangers	63	4	11	15	16
Welland, Ont.		*6-1, 212*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Libor Hajek	2/4/98	Saskatoon (WHL)	65	4	22	26	81
Smrcek, Czech.		*6-2, 202*	*Draft: 37th overall ('16)*				
Victor Hedman	12/18/90	Tampa Bay	79	16	56	72	47
Ornskoldsvik, Sweden		*6-6, 223*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('09)*				
Slater Koekkoek	2/18/94	Tampa Bay	29	0	4	4	8
Winchester, Ont.		*6-2, 198*	*Draft: 10th overall ('12)*				
Dominik Masin	2/1/96	Syracuse (AHL)	69	3	3	6	73
Mastec Kralove, Czech.		*6-2, 198*	*Draft: 35th overall ('14)*				
Jamie McBain	2/25/88	Tucson (AHL)	64	8	35	43	48
Edina, Minn.		*6-1, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Mikhail Sergachev	6/25/98	Windsor (OHL)	50	10	33	43	71
Nizhnekamsk, Russia		*6-3, 215*	*Trade: Mtl 6/15/17*				
Matt Spencer	3/24/97	Peterborough (OHL)	60	7	22	29	60
Guelph, Ont.		*6-2, 206*	*Draft: 44th overall ('15)*				
Anton Stralman	8/1/86	Tampa Bay	73	5	17	22	20
Tibro, Sweden		*5-11, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Andrej Sustr	11/29/90	Tampa Bay	80	3	11	14	43
Plzen, Czech.		*6-7, 220*	*Free Agent: signed 3/21/13*				
Ben Thomas	5/28/96	Syracuse (AHL)	71	3	18	21	30
Calgary, Alta.		*6-1, 187*	*Draft: 119th overall ('14)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Anthony Cirelli	7/15/97	Osh/Erie (OHL)	51	25	39	64	12
Etobicoke, Ont.		*6-0, 180*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('15)*				
Brett Howden	3/29/98	Moose Jaw (WHL)	58	38	43	81	73
Calgary, Alta.		*6-2, 193*	*Draft: 27th overall ('16)*				
Tyler Johnson	7/29/90	Tampa Bay	66	19	26	45	28
Spokane, Wash.		*5-8, 183*	*Free Agent: signed 3/7/11*				
Cedric Paquette	8/13/93	Tampa Bay	58	4	6	10	80
Gaspe, Que.		*6-1, 198*	*Draft: 101st overall ('12)*				
Matthew Peca	4/27/93	Syracuse (AHL)	68	12	29	41	14
Petawawa, Ont.		*5-8, 155*	*Draft: 201st overall ('11)*				
Brayden Point	3/13/96	Tampa Bay	68	18	22	40	14
Calgary, Alta.		*5-10, 166*	*Draft: 79th overall ('14)*				
Steven Stamkos	2/7/90	Tampa Bay	17	9	11	20	14
Markham, Ont.		*6-1, 194*	*Draft: 1st overall ('08)*				
Mitchell Stephens	2/5/97	Sag/Lon (OHL)	51	22	31	53	26
Peterborough, Ont.		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 33rd overall ('15)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Michael Bournival	5/31/92	Syracuse (AHL)	38	9	10	19	18
Shawinigan, Que.		*5-11, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Gabriel Dumont	10/6/90	Tampa Bay	39	2	2	4	29
Ville Degelis, Que.		*5-10, 181*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Yanni Gourde	12/15/91	Syracuse (AHL)	56	22	26	48	54
St-Narcisse, Que.		*5-9, 167*	*Free Agent: signed 3/9/14*				
Alex Killorn	9/14/89	Tampa Bay	81	19	17	36	66
Halifax, N.S.		*6-1, 196*	*Draft: 77th overall ('07)*				
Chris Kunitz	9/26/79	Pittsburgh	71	9	20	29	36
Regina, Sask.		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
V. Namestnikov	11/22/92	Tampa Bay	74	10	18	28	31
Zhukovskiy, Russia		*5-11, 180*	*Draft: 27th overall ('11)*				
Ondrej Palat	3/28/91	Tampa Bay	75	17	35	52	39
Frydek-Mistek, Czech.		*6-0, 188*	*Draft: 208th overall ('11)*				
Dennis Yan	4/14/97	Shawinigan (QMJHL)	64	46	29	75	52
Portland, Ore.		*6-1, 197*	*Draft: 64th overall ('15)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
J.T. Brown	7/2/90	Tampa Bay	64	3	3	6	73
Burnsville, Minn.		*5-10, 169*	*Free Agent: signed 3/28/12*				
Ryan Callahan	3/21/85	Tampa Bay	18	2	2	4	23
Rochester, N.Y.		*5-10, 187*	*Trade: NYR 3/5/14*				
Cory Conacher	12/14/89	Syracuse (AHL)	56	17	43	60	113
Burlington, Ont.		*5-8, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 7/13/16*				
Erik Condra	8/6/86	Syracuse (AHL)	55	15	33	48	37
Trenton, Mich.		*5-11, 183*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Adam Erne	4/20/95	Tampa Bay	26	3	0	3	11
New Haven, Conn.		*6-1, 210*	*Draft: 33rd overall ('13)*				
Mathieu Joseph	2/9/97	Saint John (QMJHL)	54	36	44	80	57
Laval, Que.		*6-1, 173*	*Draft: 120th overall ('15)*				
Nikita Kucherov	6/17/93	Tampa Bay	74	40	45	85	38
Maykop, Russia		*5-11, 178*	*Draft: 58th overall ('11)*				
Taylor Raddysh	2/18/98	Erie (OHL)	58	42	67	109	37
Caledon, Ont.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 58th overall ('16)*				
Alexander Volkov	8/2/97	SKA St.Petersb'g (Rus Jr.)	16	6	5	11	12
Moscow, Russia		*6-1, 191*	*Draft: 48th overall ('17)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	EXTENDED STATS ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
86	Nikita Kucherov	74	40	45	85	13	38	17	0	7	246	16.3	53	32	—	—	—	3:21	0:01	19:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
77	Victor Hedman	79	16	56	72	3	47	4	0	5	166	9.6	39	33	—	—	—	3:00	2:03	24:30	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Jonathan Drouin	73	21	32	53	-13	16	9	0	6	183	11.5	27	26	96	124	43.6	3:05	0:00	17:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Ondrej Palat	75	17	35	52	8	39	5	0	3	162	10.5	37	15	9	25	26.5	2:46	1:42	19:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Tyler Johnson	66	19	26	45	-5	28	6	0	3	130	14.6	28	17	583	539	52.0	2:51	2:03	18:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	*Brayden Point	68	18	22	40	4	14	5	0	2	122	14.8	28	12	238	294	44.7	2:31	0:16	17:07	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	Alex Killorn	81	19	17	36	-9	66	4	1	4	176	10.8	24	10	4	8	33.3	2:24	1:26	18:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
90	V. Namestnikov	74	10	18	28	-4	31	3	0	0	114	8.8	21	6	209	271	43.5	2:05	0:17	14:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	Anton Stralman	73	5	17	22	1	20	1	0	0	130	3.8	15	7	—	—	—	1:41	2:37	22:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
91	Steven Stamkos	17	9	11	20	3	14	3	0	1	58	15.5	13	7	106	92	53.5	3:24	0:46	17:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
62	Andrej Sustr	80	3	11	14	-10	43	0	0	1	93	3.2	14	0	0	1	0.0	0:05	2:05	17:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Braydon Coburn	80	5	7	12	-1	50	0	1	0	102	4.9	11	0	—	—	—	0:04	2:02	16:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
59	*Jake Dotchin	35	0	11	11	10	35	0	0	0	50	0.0	11	0	—	—	—	0:55	0:08	18:25	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	Cedric Paquette	58	4	6	10	-6	80	0	0	0	68	5.9	10	0	200	234	46.1	0:04	1:27	11:31	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Jason Garrison	70	1	8	9	-8	14	0	0	0	96	1.0	9	0	—	—	—	0:09	2:10	18:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
65	*Yanni Gourde	20	6	2	8	-1	8	0	1	1	30	20.0	7	0	60	103	36.8	0:50	1:23	15:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	*Greg McKegg	46	3	4	7	-3	22	0	0	0	36	8.3	7	0	90	90	50.0	0:09	0:27	9:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Fla	31	3	3	6	-5	11	0	0	0	28	10.7	6	0	43	40	51.8	0:12	0:35	10:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	15	0	1	1	2	11	0	0	0	8	0.0	1	0	47	50	48.5	0:04	0:12	9:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	J.T. Brown	64	3	3	6	-7	73	0	1	1	67	4.5	5	0	12	26	31.6	0:06	1:02	10:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Ryan Callahan	18	2	2	4	-4	23	0	0	1	22	9.1	4	0	5	4	55.6	0:14	1:58	14:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
61	*Gabriel Dumont	39	2	2	4	1	29	0	0	0	34	5.9	4	0	133	109	55.0	0:04	0:19	9:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Cory Conacher	11	1	3	4	0	4	1	0	0	16	6.3	3	1	1	1	50.0	1:50	0:00	11:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	*Slater Koekkoek	29	0	4	4	-4	8	0	0	0	27	0.0	4	0	—	—	—	0:06	0:22	12:59	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Luke Witkowski	34	0	4	4	-1	39	0	0	0	24	0.0	4	0	—	—	—	0:05	0:01	9:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
73	*Adam Erne	26	3	0	3	-9	11	0	0	0	40	7.5	3	0	0	2	0.0	1:01	0:00	11:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Michael Bournival	19	2	1	3	-3	2	0	0	0	25	8.0	3	0	1	2	33.3	0:07	0:00	10:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
92	*Joel Vermin	18	0	3	3	2	4	0	0	0	12	0.0	3	0	2	1	66.7	0:06	0:49	10:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
63	*Matthew Peca	10	1	1	2	-3	2	0	0	0	9	11.1	2	0	32	40	44.4	0:55	0:00	11:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Andrei Vasilevskiy	50	0	2	2	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Peter Budaj	60	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	LA	53	0	1	1	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	7	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	*Kristers Gudlevskis	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
38	*Tanner Richard	3	0	0	0	-2	2	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	13	17	43.3	1:41	0:00	12:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
78	Byron Froese	6	0	0	0	-3	5	0	0	0	6	0.0	0	0	26	30	46.4	0:35	0:12	10:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	2	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	7	13	35.0	0:06	0:38	8:00	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	4	0	0	0	-3	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	19	17	52.8	0:50	0:00	11:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Erik Condra	13	0	0	0	-4	4	0	0	0	8	0.0	0	0	1	0	100.0	0:04	0:10	9:38	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
50	*Kristers Gudlevskis	1	11	0.00	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.000	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ben Bishop	32	1,813	2.55	16	12	3	2	1	77	870	.911	0	0	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	Andrei Vasilevski	50	2,831	2.61	23	17	7	8	2	123	1,480	.917	0	2	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Peter Budaj	7	279	2.80	3	1	0	1	0	13	128	.898	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 . . . . . Fla
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at Fla
3. Mon. Oct. 9 . . . . . Wsh
4. Thu. Oct. 12 . . . . . Pit
5. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . StL
6. Mon. Oct. 16 . . . . . at Det
7. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . at NJ
8. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . at Clb
9. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . Pit
10. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Car
11. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . Det
12. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . Ana
13. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . at Fla
14. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . NYR
15. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Clb
16. Wed. Nov. 8 . . . . . at SJ
17. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . at LA
18. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . at Ana
19. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . Dal
20. Sat. Nov. 18 . . . . . NYI
21. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . Chi
22. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at Wsh
23. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at Pit
24. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . at Buf
25. Wed. Nov. 29 . . . . . at Bos
26. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . SJ
27. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . NYI
28. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . Col
29. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . Wpg
30. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . at StL
31. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . at Ari
32. Sat. Dec. 16 . . . . . at Col
33. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at Veg
34. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . Ott
35. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . Min
36. Thu. Dec. 28 . . . . . Mtl
37. Fri. Dec. 29 . . . . . Phi
38. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . at Clb
39. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . at Tor
40. Thu. Jan. 4 . . . . . at Mtl
41. Sat. Jan. 6 . . . . . at Ott
42. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Det
43. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . Car
44. Thu. Jan. 11 . . . . . Cgy
45. Thu. Jan. 18 . . . . . Veg
46. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . at Min
47. Mon. Jan. 22 . . . . . at Chi
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . at Nsh
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Phi
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . at Wpg
51. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . at Cgy
52. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . at Van
53. Mon. Feb. 5 . . . . . at Edm
54. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . Van
55. Sat. Feb. 10 . . . . . LA
56. Mon. Feb. 12 . . . . . at Tor
57. Tue. Feb. 13 . . . . . at Buf
58. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . Det
59. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . NJ
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . at Wsh
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at Ott
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at Mtl
63. Mon. Feb. 26 . . . . . Tor
64. Wed. Feb. 28 . . . . . Buf
65. Thu. Mar. 1 . . . . . at Dal
66. Sat. Mar. 3 . . . . . Phi
67. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . Fla
68. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . NYR
69. Sat. Mar. 10 . . . . . Mtl
70. Tue. Mar. 13 . . . . . Ott
71. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . Bos
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . Edm
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . Tor
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . at NYI
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at NJ
76. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . . Ari
77. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Bos
78. Fri. Mar. 30 . . . . . at NYR
79. Sun. Apr. 1 . . . . . Nsh
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . Bos
81. Fri. Apr. 6 . . . . . Buf
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . at Car

STEVEN **STAMKOS**

RICHARD WHITTAKER/ICON SPORTSWIRE VIA GETTY IMAGES

Toronto MAPLE LEAFS

BY MIKE BROPHY

DON'T LET ANYBODY try to convince you otherwise: that patient rebuild plan the Maple Leafs have been trumpeting the past few years has been tossed out the window.

With the signing of three veteran free agents in July, the Leafs are unquestionably taking a run at winning the Stanley Cup sooner rather than later. Buoyed by the play of a handful of exceptional rookies, the Leafs were one of the NHL's surprise teams last season, taking Presidents' Trophy-winning Washington to six games in the first round of the playoffs. Toronto hopes the addition of Patrick Marleau, Dominic Moore and Ron Hainsey, along with the continued development of super-skilled youngsters Auston Matthews, William Nylander, Mitch Marner and Connor Brown, will boost the team into a contending position.

OFFENSE Matthews, 20, is already a superstar and the team's most gifted offensive threat. After scoring four goals in his NHL debut, the first overall pick in the 2016 draft established franchise rookie records for goals (40) and points (69) en route to being named the NHL's rookie of the year. The Leafs boast a wealth of offensive weapons that includes Nylander, 21, and Marner, 20, who each had 61 points as rookies. Center Nazem Kadri took his game to the next level, recording career-bests in goals (32) and points (61) while becoming a favorite of coach Mike Babcock.

Marleau turns 38 before the start of the season, but he still managed 27 goals last year. Babcock believes joining the exuberant Leafs will be the "fountain of youth" for the fleet-of-foot 20-year vet.

DEFENSE The 36-year-old Hainsey and his 907 games of NHL experience should help settle an otherwise young blueline after he played a major role in Pittsburgh's Stanley Cup run. Jake Gardiner, 27, has improved with two years of Babcock's teaching, while Nikita Zaitsev impressed as a rookie, earning a seven-year contract extension. Connor Carrick and Martin Marincin remain works in progress.

The wild card is 23-year-old Morgan Rielly, who has top-pair potential but, due in part to an ankle injury, took a step back last season. His production and time on ice both dropped from the year prior. With an abundance of skilled forwards and facing a bit of a salary cap squeeze, there was a feeling that GM Lou Lamoriello would try to part with a winger or two in exchange for a top-four defenseman.

GOALTENDING Frederik Andersen played a career-high 66 games in his first season with the Maple Leafs, finishing with a 33-16-14 record, .918 save percentage and four shutouts. Andersen gives his team a chance to win most nights, and at 27 years old, he's hitting his prime. Toronto re-signed veteran Curtis

WILLIAM NYLANDER

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2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
40-27-15 (95 pts)

OT/SO
6-7/1-8

DIVISION
4th (playoff wild card)

OVERALL
14th

OFFENSE
3.05 GPG (5th)

DEFENSE
2.85 GAA (22nd)

POWER PLAY
23.8% (2nd)

PENALTY KILL
82.5% (10th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
50.94% (9th)

1-GOAL GAMES
14-8-15 (.581)

2-GOAL GAMES
12-4 (.750)

3+ GOAL GAMES
14-15 (.482)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
A. Matthews (17:37)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Morgan Rielly (22:10)

FAST FACTS

GM
Lou Lamoriello

COACH
Mike Babcock

ARENA
Air Canada Centre

CAPACITY
18,819

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
19,752 (5th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Toronto Marlies

ECHL AFFILIATE
Orlando Solar Bears

PLAYOFF RECORD
5-8 (since 2013)

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McElhinney to be the backup, as Garret Sparks continues to develop in the AHL.

SPECIAL TEAMS The power play made great strides, improving from 29th to second. Nylander led the way with 26 points, while fellow freshmen Matthews and Marner each chipped in 21. In two years under Babcock, the penalty killing has been significantly better. Departed UFA D-men Roman Polak and Matt Hunwick logged a ton of PK time, so those minutes will be filled by Hainsey and others. Zach Hyman led Leafs forwards in PK ice time and shorthanded points.

NO. 1 AGAIN
After going first overall in the 2016 NHL draft, Auston Matthews captured the Calder Trophy in a near-unanimous vote, becoming the first Leafs player to win the award since 1966.

TRENDING
Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	97
2013-14	84
2014-15	68
2015-16	69
2016-17	95

INTANGIBLES In acquiring three players in their late 30s – Marleau, Moore and Hainsey – the Leafs added 301 games of playoff experience to the dressing room. After getting their first taste of the post-season – and pushing the first-place Capitals to overtime five times – Toronto's young core enters 2017-18 with confidence.

ROOKIES Following a season in which Toronto employed nine rookies – seven as regulars – and finished with three of the top four freshmen scorers in the league (and six of the top 21), don't be surprised if none make it in '17-18. The best bets are defenseman Travis Dermott, 20, who emerged as the top two-way defender on the AHL's Toronto Marlies, and right winger Kasperi Kapanen, who joined the Leafs late in the 2016-17 season and added some scoring punch to the fourth line in the playoffs.

X-FACTOR Toronto's top 12 scorers missed a combined 16 games last season. That's an incredible run of good health, and it can't be counted on to happen again. But the Leafs do have depth, especially up front.

THE BRASS This team belongs to president Brendan Shanahan. It was Shanahan who changed the culture in the dressing room, engineered the hiring of Babcock, convinced veteran GM Lamoriello to join the franchise, and elevated assistant GM Mark Hunter to a position of influence. This is one of the best front offices in the NHL.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Patrick Marleau
2 James van Riemsdyk
3 Leo Komarov
4 Zach Hyman
5 Matt Martin

CENTER
1 Auston Matthews
2 Nazem Kadri
3 Tyler Bozak
4 Dominic Moore
5 Eric Fehr

RIGHT WING
1 William Nylander
2 Mitch Marner
3 Connor Brown
4 Kasperi Kapanen
5 Nikita Soshnikov

DEFENSE
1 Morgan Rielly
2 Jake Gardiner
3 Nikita Zaitsev
4 Connor Carrick
5 Ron Hainsey
6 Martin Marincin
7 Alexey Marchenko
8 Andreas Borgman
9 Calle Rosen
10 Andrew Nielsen

GOALIE
1 Frederik Andersen
2 Curtis McElhinney
3 Garret Sparks

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Brian Boyle, C; Matt Hunwick, D; Brendan Leipsic, LW

KASPERI **KAPANEN**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. KASPERI KAPANEN, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Toronto (AHL)
Elevated his game in AHL and showed in NHL playoffs he can play a role on fourth line.
ACQUIRED From Pit, Feb. 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. TIMOTHY LILJEGREN, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Rogle (Swe.)
Mobile, puck-handling defender with excellent offensive instincts – and he's even a right shot.
ACQUIRED 17th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. CARL GRUNDSTROM, RW
AGE 19 **TEAM** Frolunda (Swe.)
Plays an in-your-face style similar to that of Leo Komarov, but with better hands.
ACQUIRED 57th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

4. JEREMY BRACCO, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Goal-scoring dried up a bit after trade from Kitchener. He still needs to get stronger.
ACQUIRED 61st overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

5. ADAM BROOKS, C
AGE 21 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Gaudy stats over past two seasons (250 points). After five years in WHL, he needs a new test.
ACQUIRED 92nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

6. JOSEPH WOLL, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** Boston College (HE)
Stepped in as a just-turned-18 freshman and was excellent. Flexible and athletic.
ACQUIRED 62nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

7. ANDREW NIELSEN, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Toronto (AHL)
Big with a mean streak, first-year pro led his team's blueline in scoring. Skating needs work.
ACQUIRED 65th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

8. TRAVIS DERMOTT, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Toronto (AHL)
Sometimes tries to do too much on the ice. Working on finding consistency.
ACQUIRED 34th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

9. EEMELI RASANEN, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Kingston (OHL)
Big, competitive defender has imposing frame and good hockey smarts. Needs quickness.
ACQUIRED 59th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

10. J.D. GREENWAY, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Wisconsin (Big Ten)
Sturdy blueliner is a decent skater and very solid along the wall. Entering sophomore year.
ACQUIRED 72nd overall, 2016 **NHL** '21-22

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

TIMOTHY LILJEGREN

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
17th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Rogle

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Jay Bouwmeester

SCOUTING REPORT
On the plus side of the ledger, Liljegren is a dynamic offensive defenseman who can run a power play. But he did go through a tough year due to a bout with mono and playing on a bad Rogle squad.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Frederik Andersen	10/2/89	Toronto	66	33	16	14	2.67	.918
Herning, Denmark		*6-4, 230*	*Trade: Ana 6/20/16*					
Kasimir Kaskisuo	10/2/93	Orlando (ECHL)	32	14	11	3	3.45	.899
Espoo, Finland		*6-2, 201*	*Free Agent: signed 3/28/16*					
Curtis McElhinney	5/23/83	Clb/Tor	21	8	8	2	2.70	.917
London, Ont.		*6-3, 200*	*Waivers: Clb 1/10/17*					
Garret Sparks	6/28/93	Toronto (AHL)	31	21	9	0	2.16	.922
Elmhurst, Ill.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 190th overall ('11)*					
Joseph Woll	7/12/98	Boston College (HE)	34	17	13	3	2.64	.913
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-3, 198*	*Draft: 62nd overall ('16)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andreas Borgman	6/18/95	HV71 (Swe)	45	5	10	15	26
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-0, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 5/16/17*				
Connor Carrick	4/13/94	Toronto	67	2	6	8	51
Orland Park, Ill.		*5-11, 195*	*Trade: Wsh 2/28/16*				
Travis Dermott	12/22/96	Toronto (AHL)	59	5	19	24	60
Newmarket, Ont.		*6-0, 215*	*Draft: 34th overall ('15)*				
Jake Gardiner	7/4/90	Toronto	82	9	34	43	34
Minnetonka, Minn.		*6-2, 200*	*Trade: Ana 2/9/11*				
J.D. Greenway	4/27/98	Wisconsin (Big10)	34	1	6	7	87
Potsdam, N.Y.		*6-5, 213*	*Draft: 72nd overall ('16)*				
Ron Hainsey	3/24/81	Car/Pit	72	4	13	17	21
Bolton, Conn.		*6-3, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Timothy Liljegren	4/30/99	Rogle (Swe)	19	1	4	5	4
Kristianstad, Sweden		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 17th overall ('17)*				
Alexey Marchenko	1/2/92	Det/Tor	41	1	7	8	12
Moscow, Russia		*6-3, 210*	*Waivers: Det 2/4/17*				
Martin Marincin	2/18/92	Toronto	25	1	6	7	16
Kosice, Slovakia		*6-4, 210*	*Trade: Edm 6/27/15*				
Andrew Nielsen	11/13/96	Toronto (AHL)	74	14	25	39	82
Red Deer, Alta.		*6-3, 210*	*Draft: 65th overall ('15)*				
Eemeli Rasanen	3/6/99	Kingston (OHL)	66	6	33	39	41
Joensuu, Finland		*6-7, 208*	*Draft: 59th overall ('17)*				
Morgan Rielly	3/9/94	Toronto	76	6	21	27	21
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-1, 215*	*Draft: 5th overall ('12)*				
Calle Rosen	2/2/94	Vaxjo (Swe)	41	6	13	19	10
Vaxjo, Sweden		*6-0, 176*	*Free Agent: signed 5/16/17*				
Rinat Valiev	5/11/95	Toronto (AHL)	47	3	10	13	79
Nizhnekamsk, Russia		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 68th overall ('14)*				
Nikita Zaitsev	10/29/91	Toronto	82	4	32	36	38
Moscow, Russia		*6-2, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 5/2/16*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Miro Aaltonen	6/7/93	Vityaz (KHL)	59	19	25	44	38
Joensuu, Finland		*5-10, 172*	*Free Agent: signed 3/17/17*				
Tyler Bozak	3/19/86	Toronto	78	18	37	55	30
Regina, Sask.		*6-1, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 4/3/09*				
Adam Brooks	5/6/96	Regina (WHL)	66	43	87	130	61
Winnipeg, Man.		*5-10, 174*	*Draft: 92nd overall ('16)*				
Eric Fehr	9/7/85	Pit/Tor	53	6	5	11	14
Winkler, Man.		*6-4, 212*	*Trade: Phi 3/1/17*				
Frederik Gauthier	4/26/95	Toronto (AHL)	46	4	9	13	14
St-Lin, Que.		*6-5, 238*	*Draft: 21st overall ('13)*				
Nazem Kadri	10/6/90	Toronto	82	32	29	61	95
London, Ont.		*6-0, 195*	*Draft: 7th overall ('09)*				
Auston Matthews	9/17/97	Toronto	82	40	29	69	14
Scottsdale, Ariz.		*6-3, 216*	*Draft: 1st overall ('16)*				
Dominic Moore	8/3/80	Boston	82	11	14	25	44
Thornhill, Ont.		*6-0, 192*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Ben Smith	7/11/88	Col/Tor	40	2	2	4	4
Winston-Salem, N.C.		*5-11, 198*	*Waivers: Col 10/24/16*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Zach Hyman	6/9/92	Toronto	82	10	18	28	30
Toronto, Ont.		*6-1, 210*	*Trade: Fla 6/19/15*				
Andreas Johnsson	11/21/94	Toronto (AHL)	75	20	27	47	42
Gavle, Sweden		*5-10, 190*	*Draft: 202nd overall ('13)*				
Josh Leivo	5/26/93	Toronto	13	2	8	10	4
Innisfil, Ont.		*6-2, 205*	*Draft: 86th overall ('11)*				
Patrick Marleau	9/15/79	San Jose	82	27	19	46	28
Aneroid, Sask.		*6-2, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 7/2/17*				
Matt Martin	5/8/89	Toronto	82	5	4	9	123
Windsor, Ont.		*6-3, 220*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Kerby Rychel	10/7/94	Toronto (AHL)	73	19	33	52	118
Torrance, Calif.		*6-1, 213*	*Trade: Clb 6/25/16*				
James van Riemsdyk	5/4/89	Toronto	82	29	33	62	37
Middletown, N.J.		*6-3, 210*	*Trade: Phi 6/23/12*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jeremy Bracco	3/17/97	Kit/Wsr (OHL)	57	25	58	83	6
Manhasset, N.Y.		*5-9, 180*	*Draft: 61st overall ('15)*				
Connor Brown	1/14/94	Toronto	82	20	16	36	10
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 156th overall ('12)*				
Carl Grundstrom	12/1/97	Frolunda (Swe)	45	14	6	20	6
Umea, Sweden		*6-0, 194*	*Draft: 57th overall ('16)*				
Kasperi Kapanen	7/23/96	Toronto (AHL)	43	18	25	43	16
Kuopio, Finland		*6-1, 185*	*Trade: Pit 7/1/15*				
Leo Komarov	1/23/87	Toronto	82	14	18	32	31
Narva, Estonia		*5-11, 210*	*Draft: 180th overall ('06)*				
Mitchell Marner	5/5/97	Toronto	77	19	42	61	38
Markham, Ont.		*6-0, 170*	*Draft: 4th overall ('15)*				
William Nylander	5/1/96	Toronto	81	22	39	61	32
Calgary, Alta.		*6-0, 190*	*Draft: 8th overall ('14)*				
Nikita Soshnikov	10/14/93	Toronto	56	5	4	9	16
Nizhny Tagil, Russia		*5-11, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 3/20/15*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

KAPANEN: JEFF ZELEVANSKY/GETTY IMAGES; LILJEGREN: JEFF VINNICK/NHLI VIA GETTY IMAGES

2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
34	*Auston Matthews	82	40	29	69	2	14	8	0	8	279	14.3	48	21	530	602	46.8	2:27	0:01	17:37	6	4	1	5	2	0
25	James van Riemsdyk	82	29	33	62	-2	37	6	0	5	238	12.2	43	19	1	4	20.0	2:24	0:03	15:53	6	2	1	3	3	0
43	Nazem Kadri	82	32	29	61	-7	95	12	0	6	236	13.6	44	17	544	590	48.0	2:11	0:02	16:34	6	1	1	2	0	8
29	*William Nylander	81	22	39	61	-3	32	9	0	2	205	10.7	35	26	49	73	40.2	2:21	0:00	16:00	6	1	3	4	4	2
16	*Mitchell Marner	77	19	42	61	0	38	4	0	5	176	10.8	40	21	14	23	37.8	2:22	0:07	16:48	6	1	3	4	1	0
42	Tyler Bozak	78	18	37	55	-1	30	7	0	1	145	12.4	37	18	774	592	56.7	2:22	0:05	16:25	6	2	2	4	0	4
51	Jake Gardiner	82	9	34	43	24	34	2	0	2	127	7.1	30	13	—	—	—	2:32	0:18	21:32	6	1	2	3	2	4
12	*Connor Brown	82	20	16	36	3	10	2	1	4	139	14.4	29	6	2	6	25.0	1:13	1:59	16:12	6	0	1	1	0	0
22	*Nikita Zaitsev	82	4	32	36	-22	38	1	0	0	106	3.8	23	12	—	—	—	2:00	1:43	22:01	4	0	0	0	-4	0
47	Leo Komarov	82	14	18	32	6	31	4	1	1	114	12.3	20	10	91	111	45.0	2:03	2:09	17:04	6	0	1	1	-1	2
11	*Zach Hyman	82	10	18	28	2	30	0	4	3	156	6.4	24	0	11	18	37.9	0:10	2:47	16:41	6	1	3	4	0	4
44	Morgan Rielly	76	6	21	27	-20	21	1	0	1	171	3.5	22	5	—	—	—	0:58	2:22	22:10	6	1	4	5	1	2
24	Brian Boyle	75	13	12	25	3	66	3	0	2	131	9.9	19	6	303	278	52.2	1:10	1:04	13:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
	TB	54	13	9	22	5	48	3	0	2	109	11.9	16	6	175	155	53.0	1:36	1:03	13:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	21	0	3	3	-2	18	0	0	0	22	0.0	3	0	128	123	51.0	0:02	1:06	11:19	6	0	2	2	-2	6
2	Matt Hunwick	72	1	18	19	8	18	0	0	0	73	1.4	19	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:39	17:58	6	0	1	1	-3	2
23	Eric Fehr	53	6	5	11	2	14	0	0	3	62	9.7	11	0	79	75	51.3	0:15	1:47	10:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Pit	52	6	5	11	3	14	0	0	3	61	9.8	11	0	75	75	50.0	0:15	1:47	10:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	4	0	100.0	0:00	1:33	10:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Roman Polak	75	4	7	11	10	65	0	0	1	64	6.3	11	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	2:54	17:55	2	0	0	0	1	0
32	Josh Leivo	13	2	8	10	2	4	1	0	0	27	7.4	7	3	1	1	50.0	1:55	0:00	12:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	*Nikita Soshnikov	56	5	4	9	1	16	0	0	0	70	7.1	8	1	2	15	11.8	0:36	1:08	10:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Matt Martin	82	5	4	9	0	123	0	0	0	66	7.6	9	0	0	11	0.0	0:01	0:19	8:53	6	0	2	2	-2	6
8	Connor Carrick	67	2	6	8	8	51	1	0	0	89	2.2	7	1	—	—	—	0:33	0:16	16:20	6	0	0	0	0	4
3	Alexey Marchenko	41	1	7	8	7	12	0	0	0	36	2.8	7	0	—	—	—	0:04	1:45	16:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Det	30	0	6	6	6	12	0	0	0	27	0.0	5	0	—	—	—	0:05	2:17	17:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	11	1	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	9	11.1	2	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:19	14:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
52	Martin Marincin	25	1	6	7	3	16	0	0	0	22	4.5	6	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:49	18:02	6	0	0	0	2	2
18	Ben Smith	40	2	2	4	-7	4	0	0	0	30	6.7	4	0	241	227	51.5	0:00	2:11	11:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Col	4	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	21	19	52.5	0:00	1:53	10:46	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	36	2	2	4	-5	4	0	0	0	29	6.9	4	0	220	208	51.4	0:00	2:13	11:32	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	*Frederik Gauthier	21	2	1	3	2	23	0	0	0	15	13.3	3	0	120	115	51.1	0:05	1:02	9:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Milan Michalek	5	1	1	2	-2	2	0	0	0	6	16.7	2	0	0	1	0.0	1:19	1:05	14:16	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	*Kasperi Kapanen	8	1	0	1	-2	0	0	0	0	11	9.1	1	0	—	—	—	0:03	1:23	10:41	6	2	0	2	-2	0
31	Frederik Andersen	66	0	1	1	—	16	0	0	0	1	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	6	0	0	0	—	0
30	*Antoine Bibeau	2	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Jhonas Enroth	6	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Curtis McElhinney	21	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Clb	7	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Tor	14	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON													2017 PLAYOFFS										
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
30	*Antoine Bibeau	2	121	1.98	1	1	0	1	0	4	55	.927	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Frederik Andersen	66	3,799	2.67	33	16	14	4	4	169	2,052	.918	0	1	16	6	403	2.68	2	4	0	0	18	211	.915
35	Curtis McElhinney	14	759	2.85	6	7	0	2	1	36	418	.914	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
35	Jhonas Enroth	6	274	3.94	0	3	1	0	0	18	141	.872	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 .... at Wpg
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... NYR
3. Mon. Oct. 9 ..... Chi
4. Wed. Oct. 11 ..... NJ
5. Sat. Oct. 14 ..... at Mtl
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... at Wsh
7. Wed. Oct. 18 ..... Det
8. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... at Ott
9. Mon. Oct. 23 ..... LA
10. Thu. Oct. 26 ..... Car
11. Sat. Oct. 28 ..... Phi
12. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... at SJ
13. Wed. Nov. 1 ..... at Ana
14. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at LA
15. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at StL
16. Mon. Nov. 6 ..... Veg
17. Wed. Nov. 8 ..... Min
18. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... Bos
19. Sat. Nov. 11 ..... at Bos
20. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... NJ
21. Sat. Nov. 18 ..... at Mtl
22. Mon. Nov. 20 ..... Ari
23. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at Fla
24. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... at Car
25. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... Wsh
26. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... at Cgy
27. Thu. Nov. 30 ..... at Edm
28. Sat. Dec. 2 ..... at Van
29. Wed. Dec. 6 ..... Cgy
30. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at Pit
31. Sun. Dec. 10 ..... Edm
32. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... at Phi
33. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... at Min
34. Fri. Dec. 15 ..... at Det
35. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... Car
36. Wed. Dec. 20 ..... at Clb
37. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... at NYR
38. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... at Ari
39. Fri. Dec. 29 ..... at Col
40. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... at Veg
41. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... TB
42. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... SJ
43. Sat. Jan. 6 ..... Van
44. Mon. Jan. 8 ..... Clb
45. Wed. Jan. 10 ..... Ott
46. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... StL
47. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... at Phi
48. Sat. Jan. 20 ..... at Ott
49. Mon. Jan. 22 ..... Col
50. Wed. Jan. 24 ..... at Chi
51. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... at Dal
52. Wed. Jan. 31 ..... NYI
53. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at NYR
54. Sat. Feb. 3 ..... at Bos
55. Mon. Feb. 5 ..... Ana
56. Wed. Feb. 7 ..... Nsh
57. Sat. Feb. 10 ..... Ott
58. Mon. Feb. 12 ..... TB
59. Wed. Feb. 14 ..... Clb
60. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... at Pit
61. Sun. Feb. 18 ..... at Det
62. Tue. Feb. 20 ..... Fla
63. Thu. Feb. 22 ..... NYI
64. Sat. Feb. 24 ..... Bos
65. Mon. Feb. 26 ..... at TB
66. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... at Fla
67. Sat. Mar. 3 ..... at Wsh
68. Mon. Mar. 5 ..... at Buf
69. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... Pit
70. Wed. Mar. 14 ..... Dal
71. Thu. Mar. 15 ..... at Buf
72. Sat. Mar. 17 ..... Mtl
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... at TB
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... at Nsh
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... Det
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Buf
77. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... Fla
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... at NYI
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... Wpg
80. Mon. Apr. 2 ..... Buf
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at NJ
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... Mtl

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Vancouver CANUCKS

BY BEN KUZMA

THE R-WORD HAS taken hold in Vancouver. The Canucks could no longer deny the necessity of embracing a rebuild after a 29th-place finish. There's a new coach in Travis Green with new ideas, and key free agent acquisitions on short-term deals in Sam Gagner and Michael Del Zotto, who should help the franchise properly develop an improving talent pool.

Competing in the powerhouse Pacific Division will be a challenge, to say the least. Gagner will help prop up the power play and Del Zotto will add some scoring pop to a back end that mustered just 22 goals. If the Canucks don't rack up another 462 man-games lost to injury, they may make a modest 10-point leap up the standings, but still no playoffs.

OFFENSE Henrik and Daniel Sedin will be 37 when the season begins. Rebounding from 50- and 44-point seasons, respectively, is possible, especially if they don't have revolving right wingers and if Markus Granlund remains the right fit after scoring a career-high 19 goals. Daniel's 15 goals last season should be an anomaly with assistant coach Newell Brown returning after four seasons in Arizona to run the power play. Brown guided the Canucks' top-ranked power play in 2010-11, and by employing a 1-3-1 system, getting the right-shot Gagner involved and being more open to personnel changes, there should be improvement on a man-advantage unit that was second-worst in the league last season.

Bo Horvat didn't score in his final 17 regular season games, but still led the team in goals (20) and points (52). The fourth-year center should take another step with projected linemates Sven Baertschi (career-best 18 goals last season) and Brock Boeser (four goals in a nine-game debut). Loui Eriksson must rebound from just 11 goals.

DANIEL **SEDIN**

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
30-43-9 (69 pts)

OT/SO
7-7/4-2

DIVISION
7th

OVERALL
29th

OFFENSE
2.17 GPG (29th)

DEFENSE
2.94 GAA (24th)

POWER PLAY
14.1% (29th)

PENALTY KILL
76.7% (28th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
46.91% (28th)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-9-9 (.645)

2-GOAL GAMES
5-16 (.238)

3+ GOAL GAMES
5-18 (.217)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Henrik Sedin (19:02)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Alex Edler (24:18)

FAST FACTS

GM
Jim Benning

COACH
Travis Green

ARENA
Rogers Arena

CAPACITY
18,910

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,510 (12th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Utica Comets

ECHL AFFILIATE
Kalamazoo Wings

PLAYOFF RECORD
2-8 (since 2013)

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DEFENSE It went from bad to worse with critical injuries to Chris Tanev, Alex Edler and Erik Gudbranson. There was little scoring (Edler led the blueline with six goals), questionable defending and the Canucks became too easy to play against. Nikita Tryamkin bolted back to the KHL and Luca Sbisa was claimed in the expansion draft.

The Canucks made an unsuccessful play for Jason Demers, who used his no-trade clause to veto a move from Florida, but landed Del Zotto and depth in Patrick Wiercioch via free agency. At 27, Del Zotto joins his fourth NHL club and took a pay cut in his two-year, $6-million deal. He's coming off a frustrating 18-point season in Philadelphia.

GOALTENDING Ryan Miller opted to sign as a UFA in Anaheim after the Canucks only showed interest in a one-year, incentive-laden contract to buy prized prospect Thatcher Demko one more season in the AHL. That

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TRENDING

Regular Season Points

2012-13 (prorated)	101
2013-14	83
2014-15	101
2015-16	75
2016-17	69

means Jacob Markstrom, 27, whose three-year, $11-million extension kicks in this season, will get a chance to prove he can start more than 25 games. He outplayed Miller in the first half of last season, and his 2.63 goals-against average and .910 save percentage were good numbers on a team that couldn't defend. Anders Nilsson, 27, signed a two-year, $5-million deal to push Markstrom.

SPECIAL TEAMS Brown will be the team MVP if the returning assistant coach can rejuvenate the pitiful power play. The 29th-ranked unit was plodding and predictable, but that's about to change. The slick and creative Gagner netted eight power play markers last season, so the right winger should make an impact.

BO GROWS
Bo Horvat's team hasn't won many games over the past two seasons, but the industrious center has evolved into a productive top-six contributor in that time.

INTANGIBLES Green was known for his tough love in AHL Utica after four seasons there. He will team with Nolan Baumgartner, Doug Jarvis and Manny Malhotra to push competitive buttons. Green's willing to live with mistakes to allow younger players to finally make an NHL impression.

ROOKIES Boeser, 20, signed in March and joined the Canucks after a stellar NCAA career. His four goals in nine games teased his potential as a top-six fixture and power play option. Olli Juolevi, 19, may have outgrown OHL London, but he's a long shot to make the NHL this season. But he's too young for the AHL, so it's either the Canucks or a loan to a team in Europe.

X-FACTOR Vancouver's 462 man-games lost to injury killed any hope of challenging for an unlikely wild card spot. Even with good luck and good health, the Canucks' playoff hopes are slim, but another key injury would crush any post-season dreams.

THE BRASS Green is here for the long haul and promises to instill an up-tempo game and play the kids. GM Jim Benning has had three good drafts in a row and navigated the off-season without handing out a cumbersome contract like the six-year, $36-million deal he gave to Eriksson last year.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Daniel Sedin
2 Sven Baertschi
3 Markus Granlund
4 Nikolay Goldobin
5 Brendan Gaunce

CENTER
1 Henrik Sedin
2 Bo Horvat
3 Brandon Sutter
4 Alexander Burmistrov
5 Jayson Megna

RIGHT WING
1 Loui Eriksson
2 Brock Boeser
3 Sam Gagner
4 Derek Dorsett
5 Jake Virtanen

DEFENSE
1 Chris Tanev
2 Alex Edler
3 Michael Del Zotto
4 Erik Gudbranson
5 Troy Stecher
6 Ben Hutton
7 Patrick Wiercioch
8 Philip Holm
9 Olli Juolevi
10 Alex Biega

GOALIE
1 Jacob Markstrom
2 Anders Nilsson
3 Thatcher Demko

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Ryan Miller, G; Luca Sbisa, D; Drew Shore, C; Philip Larsen, D

OLLI **JUOLEVI**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. OLLI JUOLEVI, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** London (OHL)
Smooth-skating two-way blueliner reads the game well. He's more defense than offense.
ACQUIRED 5th overall, 2016 **NHL** '18-19

2. ELIAS PETTERSSON, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Timra (Swe.)
Shifty playmaker has excellent on-ice vision and top-notch work ethic. Nice speed, too.
ACQUIRED 5th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

3. BROCK BOESER, RW
AGE 20 **TEAM** North Dakota (NCHC)
Fearless power forward plays with blend of speed, skill and grit. Good finisher.
ACQUIRED 23rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

4. THATCHER DEMKO, G
AGE 21 **TEAM** Utica (AHL)
Goalie of the future has great work ethic and intensity level. Getting lots of action in AHL.
ACQUIRED 36th overall, 2014 **NHL** '19-20

5. KOLE LIND, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Kelowna (WHL)
Skilled, playmaking winger with good hockey sense. He could get stronger and shoot more.
ACQUIRED 33rd overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

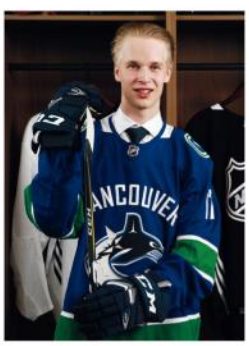
6. JAKE VIRTANEN, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Utica (AHL)
Outstanding speed and shot, but his hockey IQ is suspect. Conditioning also an issue.
ACQUIRED 6th overall, 2014 **NHL** '18-19

7. JONATHAN DAHLEN, C
AGE 19 **TEAM** Timra (Swe.)
Intelligent, skilled pivot working on his skating. Obtained in Burrows trade.
ACQUIRED From Ott, Feb. 2017 **NHL** '19-20

8. NIKOLAY GOLDOBIN, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Utica (AHL)
Has finishing ability but needs to gain strength to keep up in the higher ranks.
ACQUIRED From SJ, Feb. 2017 **NHL** '17-18

9. JONAH GADJOVICH, LW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Owen Sound (OHL)
Power forward has good shot and is a net-front presence. Skating, defensive play need work.
ACQUIRED 55th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

10. GUILLAUME BRISEBOIS, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Charlottetown (QMJHL)
Opened eyes at NHL training camp last fall with his mobility and smooth skating.
ACQUIRED 66th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20



2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

ELIAS PETTERSSON

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
5th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Timra

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Henrik Zetterberg

SCOUTING REPORT
A star in Sweden's second tier, Pettersson will move up to SHL Vaxjo for 2017-18. There, he can grow his smart and skilled game. The kid has a competitive attitude but needs to fill out his skinny frame.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Richard Bachman	7/25/87	Utica (AHL)	27	13	11	3	2.65	.908
Salt Lake City, Utah		*5-10, 183*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*					
Thatcher Demko	12/8/95	Utica (AHL)	45	22	17	4	2.68	.907
San Diego, Calif.		*6-4, 192*	*Draft: 36th overall ('14)*					
Jacob Markstrom	1/31/90	Vancouver	26	10	11	3	2.63	.910
Gavle, Sweden		*6-6, 196*	*Trade: Fla 3/4/14*					
Anders Nilsson	3/19/90	Buffalo	26	10	10	4	2.67	.923
Lulea, Sweden		*6-6, 229*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Alex Biega	4/4/88	Vancouver	36	0	3	3	18
Montreal, Que.		*5-10, 193*	*Free Agent: signed 7/5/13*				
Guillaume Brisebois	7/21/97	Charlottetown (QMJHL)	61	10	37	47	34
Longueuil, Que.		*6-2, 175*	*Draft: 66th overall ('15)*				
Jalen Chatfield	5/16/96	Windsor (OHL)	61	8	20	28	56
Ypsilanti, Mich.		*6-1, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 3/13/17*				
Michael Del Zotto	6/24/90	Philadelphia	51	6	12	18	28
Stouffville, Ont.		*6-0, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Alexander Edler	4/21/86	Vancouver	68	6	15	21	36
Ostersund, Sweden		*6-3, 214*	*Draft: 91st overall ('04)*				
Erik Gudbranson	1/7/92	Vancouver	30	1	5	6	18
Ottawa, Ont.		*6-5, 220*	*Trade: Fla 5/25/16*				
Philip Holm	12/8/91	Vaxjo (Swe)	52	4	17	21	30
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-1, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 5/26/17*				
Ben Hutton	4/20/93	Vancouver	71	5	14	19	31
Brockville, Ont.		*6-2, 207*	*Draft: 147th overall ('12)*				
Olli Juolevi	5/5/98	London (OHL)	58	10	32	42	36
Helsinki, Finland		*6-2, 182*	*Draft: 5th overall ('16)*				
Evan McEneny	5/22/94	Utica (AHL)	64	8	15	23	20
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-2, 203*	*Free Agent: signed 9/13/12*				
Andrey Pedan	7/3/93	Utica (AHL)	52	5	5	10	100
Kaunas, Lithuania		*6-5, 213*	*Trade: NYI 11/25/14*				
Troy Stecher	4/7/94	Vancouver	71	3	21	24	25
Richmond, B.C.		*5-10, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 4/13/16*				
Jordan Subban	3/3/95	Utica (AHL)	65	16	20	36	36
Toronto, Ont.		*5-9, 175*	*Draft: 115th overall ('13)*				
Chris Tanev	12/20/89	Vancouver	53	2	8	10	14
Toronto, Ont.		*6-2, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 5/31/10*				
Patrick Wiercioch	9/12/90	Colorado	57	4	8	12	23
Burnaby, B.C.		*6-5, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
A. Burmistrov	10/21/91	Wpg/Ari	49	5	11	16	12
Kazan, Russia		*6-1, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Michael Chaput	4/9/92	Vancouver	68	4	5	9	29
Ile Bizard, Que.		*6-2, 204*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Brendan Gaunce	3/25/94	Vancouver	57	0	5	5	33
Sudbury, Ont.		*6-2, 217*	*Draft: 26th overall ('12)*				
Bo Horvat	4/5/95	Vancouver	81	20	32	52	27
London, Ont.		*6-0, 223*	*Draft: 9th overall ('13)*				
Zack MacEwen	7/8/96	Gatineau (QMJHL)	66	31	43	74	90
Charlottetown, P.E.I.		*6-3, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 3/3/17*				
Elias Pettersson	11/12/98	Timra (Swe2)	43	19	22	41	14
Sundsvall, Sweden		*6-2, 161*	*Draft: 5th overall ('17)*				
Henrik Sedin	9/26/80	Vancouver	82	15	35	50	28
Ornskoldsvik, Sweden		*6-2, 183*	*Draft: 3rd overall ('99)*				
Brandon Sutter	2/14/89	Vancouver	81	17	17	34	12
Huntington, N.Y.		*6-3, 191*	*Trade: Pit 7/28/15*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Sven Baertschi	10/5/92	Vancouver	68	18	17	35	8
Bern, Switzerland		*5-11, 192*	*Trade: Cgy 3/2/15*				
Reid Boucher	9/8/93	NJ/Nsh/Van	39	6	4	10	8
Lansing, Mich.		*5-10, 195*	*Waivers: NJ 1/4/17*				
Jonathan Dahlen	12/20/97	Timra (Swe2)	45	25	19	44	18
Ostersund, Sweden		*5-11, 176*	*Trade: Ott 2/27/17*				
Jonah Gadjovich	10/12/98	Owen Sound (OHL)	60	46	28	74	32
Whitby, Ont.		*6-2, 209*	*Draft: 55th overall ('17)*				
Sam Gagner	8/10/89	Columbus	81	18	32	50	22
London, Ont.		*5-11, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Nikolay Goldobin	10/7/95	SJ/Uti (AHL)	49	19	26	45	16
Moscow, Russia		*5-11, 185*	*Trade: SJ 2/28/17*				
Markus Granlund	4/16/93	Vancouver	69	19	13	32	14
Oulu, Finland		*6-0, 183*	*Trade: Cgy 2/22/16*				
Joseph Labate	4/16/93	Utica (AHL)	38	6	10	16	80
Burnsville, Minn.		*6-5, 210*	*Draft: 101st overall ('11)*				
Griffen Molino	1/21/94	W. Michigan (NCHC)	40	15	18	33	29
Trenton, Mich.		*5-11, 171*	*Free Agent: signed 3/28/17*				
Daniel Sedin	9/26/80	Vancouver	82	15	29	44	32
Ornskoldsvik, Sweden		*6-1, 190*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('99)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Brock Boeser	2/25/97	North Dakota (NCHC)	32	16	18	34	24
Burnsville, Minn.		*6-1, 191*	*Draft: 23rd overall ('15)*				
Derek Dorsett	12/20/86	Vancouver	14	1	3	4	33
Kindersley, Sask.		*6-0, 192*	*Trade: NYR 6/27/14*				
Loui Eriksson	7/17/85	Vancouver	65	11	13	24	8
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-2, 196*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Kole Lind	10/16/98	Kelowna (WHL)	70	30	57	87	79
Swift Current, Sask.		*6-1, 178*	*Draft: 33rd overall ('17)*				
Jayson Megna	2/1/90	Vancouver	58	4	4	8	6
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.		*6-1, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Anton Rodin	11/21/90	Vancouver	3	0	1	1	0
Stockholm, Sweden		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 53rd overall ('09)*				
Jake Virtanen	8/17/96	Utica (AHL)	65	9	10	19	48
New Westminster, B.C.		*6-1, 229*	*Draft: 6th overall ('14)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON											EXTENDED STATS							TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
53	Bo Horvat	81	20	32	52	-7	27	3	2	1	158	12.7	40	10	756	742	50.5	1:55	1:49	18:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Henrik Sedin	82	15	35	50	-27	28	1	0	4	99	15.2	35	15	611	635	49.0	2:58	0:09	19:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Daniel Sedin	82	15	29	44	-16	32	6	0	3	216	6.9	30	14	3	3	50.0	2:54	0:07	18:23	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Sven Baertschi	68	18	17	35	-6	8	2	0	5	114	15.8	29	6	1	0	100.0	1:53	0:16	15:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
20	Brandon Sutter	81	17	17	34	-20	12	4	0	1	160	10.6	26	8	788	664	54.3	2:34	1:53	18:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
60	Markus Granlund	69	19	13	32	-19	14	3	0	3	122	15.6	25	7	40	61	39.6	1:56	1:12	17:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Loui Eriksson	65	11	13	24	-9	8	5	0	1	132	8.3	16	7	0	1	0.0	2:28	1:25	18:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
51	*Troy Stecher	71	3	21	24	-16	25	1	0	0	125	2.4	16	8	—	—	—	2:42	0:03	19:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
23	Alexander Edler	68	6	15	21	-20	36	2	0	0	138	4.3	17	4	2	1	66.7	2:03	2:34	24:18	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Ben Hutton	71	5	14	19	-22	31	2	0	1	130	3.8	8	11	—	—	—	2:03	0:32	20:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Luca Sbisa	82	2	11	13	-1	40	0	0	1	75	2.7	13	0	—	—	—	0:03	2:12	18:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	Reid Boucher	39	6	4	10	-6	8	1	0	0	70	8.6	9	1	0	1	0.0	1:32	0:02	11:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
	NJ	9	0	2	2	0	2	0	0	0	12	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	1:36	0:12	12:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Nsh	3	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	3	33.3	1	0	—	—	—	0:02	0:00	8:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Van	27	5	2	7	-7	6	1	0	0	55	9.1	6	1	0	1	0.0	1:40	0:00	12:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	*Joseph Cramarossa	59	4	6	10	0	60	0	0	1	36	11.1	8	0	6	1	85.7	0:04	0:40	9:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Ana	49	4	6	10	1	51	0	0	1	26	15.4	8	0	6	1	85.7	0:04	0:45	9:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Van	10	0	0	0	-1	9	0	0	0	10	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:03	0:14	10:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Chris Tanev	53	2	8	10	3	14	0	0	1	39	5.1	10	0	—	—	—	0:27	2:53	20:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Jack Skille	55	5	4	9	0	12	0	0	0	73	6.8	9	0	2	0	100.0	0:03	0:00	8:47	—	—	—	—	—	—
45	Michael Chaput	68	4	5	9	-12	29	0	0	0	64	6.3	9	0	203	182	52.7	0:05	0:28	11:01	—	—	—	—	—	—
88	*Nikita Tryamkin	66	2	7	9	-7	64	0	0	0	65	3.1	9	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:27	16:44	—	—	—	—	—	—
46	Jayson Megna	58	4	4	8	-4	6	0	0	0	72	5.6	7	1	2	14	12.5	0:55	0:02	12:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
63	Philip Larsen	26	1	5	6	-8	4	0	0	0	32	3.1	4	2	—	—	—	2:15	0:01	16:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	Erik Gudbranson	30	1	5	6	-14	18	0	0	1	40	2.5	6	0	—	—	—	0:12	2:39	20:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
6	*Brock Boeser	9	4	1	5	0	0	2	0	1	25	16.0	3	2	—	—	—	1:46	0:00	16:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
50	*Brendan Gaunce	57	0	5	5	-2	33	0	0	0	51	0.0	5	0	84	80	51.2	0:04	0:28	9:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
15	Derek Dorsett	14	1	3	4	-6	33	0	0	0	24	4.2	4	0	1	0	100.0	0:00	0:21	9:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
82	*Nikolay Goldobin	14	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	1	14	21.4	3	0	—	—	—	0:31	0:00	11:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
	SJ	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	4	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	9:49	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Van	12	3	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	10	30.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:36	0:00	11:37	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Alex Biega	36	0	3	3	-4	18	0	0	0	37	0.0	3	0	—	—	—	0:13	0:38	13:10	—	—	—	—	—	—
42	Drew Shore	14	0	2	2	-3	4	0	0	0	11	0.0	2	0	38	33	53.5	0:05	0:48	11:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	*Anton Rodin	3	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	0:29	0:00	8:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Jake Virtanen	10	0	1	1	1	2	0	0	0	13	0.0	1	0	3	0	100.0	0:09	0:00	10:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Ryan Miller	54	0	1	1	—	22	0	0	0	0	0.0	1	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
64	*Borna Rendulic	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	4:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
61	*Evan McEneny	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	15:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	*Michael Zalewski	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:03	—	—	—	—	—	—
65	*Alexandre Grenier	3	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	2	0	100.0	0:00	0:00	6:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	*Griffen Molino	5	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	10:35	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Richard Bachman	5	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
62	*Joseph Labate	13	0	0	0	-2	21	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	1	0	100.0	0:00	0:00	6:45	—	—	—	—	—	—
25	Jacob Markstrom	26	0	0	0	—	2	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON																2017 PLAYOFFS									
NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
25	Jacob Markstrom	26	1,417	2.63	10	11	3	6	0	62	692	.910	0	0	2	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
32	Richard Bachman	5	295	2.64	2	3	0	0	0	13	162	.920	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
30	Ryan Miller	54	3,212	2.80	18	29	6	10	3	150	1,737	.914	0	1	22	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . Edm
2. Tue. Oct. 10 . . . . . Ott
3. Thu. Oct. 12 . . . . . Wpg
4. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . Cgy
5. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . at Ott
6. Thu. Oct. 19 . . . . . at Bos
7. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . at Buf
8. Sun. Oct. 22 . . . . . at Det
9. Tue. Oct. 24 . . . . . at Min
10. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . Wsh
11. Mon. Oct. 30 . . . . . Dal
12. Wed. Nov. 1 . . . . . NJ
13. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Pit
14. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . Det
15. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . at Cgy
16. Thu. Nov. 9 . . . . . at Ana
17. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . at SJ
18. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . at LA
19. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . Veg
20. Sat. Nov. 18 . . . . . StL
21. Tue. Nov. 21 . . . . . at Phi
22. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . at Pit
23. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at NJ
24. Sun. Nov. 26 . . . . . at NYR
25. Tue. Nov. 28 . . . . . at NYI
26. Thu. Nov. 30 . . . . . at Nsh
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . Tor
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . Car
29. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . Phi
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . at Cgy
31. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . at Wpg
32. Wed. Dec. 13 . . . . . Nsh
33. Fri. Dec. 15 . . . . . SJ
34. Sun. Dec. 17 . . . . . Cgy
35. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . Mtl
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . at SJ
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . StL
38. Thu. Dec. 28 . . . . . Chi
39. Sat. Dec. 30 . . . . . LA
40. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . Ana
41. Sat. Jan. 6 . . . . . at Tor
42. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . at Mtl
43. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . at Wsh
44. Fri. Jan. 12 . . . . . at Clb
45. Sun. Jan. 14 . . . . . at Min
46. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . at Edm
47. Sun. Jan. 21 . . . . . at Wpg
48. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . LA
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . Buf
50. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . Col
51. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . Chi
52. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . TB
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . at Fla
54. Thu. Feb. 8 . . . . . at TB
55. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . at Car
56. Sun. Feb. 11 . . . . . at Dal
57. Wed. Feb. 14 . . . . . Fla
58. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at SJ
59. Sat. Feb. 17 . . . . . Bos
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . Col
61. Fri. Feb. 23 . . . . . at Veg
62. Sun. Feb. 25 . . . . . at Ari
63. Mon. Feb. 26 . . . . . at Col
64. Wed. Feb. 28 . . . . . NYR
65. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . Nsh
66. Mon. Mar. 5 . . . . . NYI
67. Wed. Mar. 7 . . . . . Ari
68. Fri. Mar. 9 . . . . . Min
69. Sun. Mar. 11 . . . . . at Ari
70. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . at LA
71. Wed. Mar. 14 . . . . . at Ana
72. Sat. Mar. 17 . . . . . SJ
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . at Veg
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . at Chi
75. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . at StL
76. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . at Dal
77. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . Ana
78. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . Edm
79. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . Clb
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . Veg
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Ari
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . at Edm

ALEXANDER **EDLER**

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Vegas GOLDEN KNIGHTS

BY SCOTT ZERR

AFTER ROLLING THE dice in the expansion and entry drafts, the Vegas Golden Knights are like Penn without Teller, Mike and no Magic, Carrot Top minus the props. Not bad, but there's definitely something missing.

GM George McPhee has put the initial building blocks in place for the NHL's 31st franchise, but now full-scale construction becomes the ongoing task. The inaugural roster should be good enough to keep the Golden Knights from winding up buried in the desert like a couple of gone-wrong *Goodfellas*. Whether they go from lounge act to Rat Pack is the question.

OFFENSE The toughest part of an expansion draft is finding any semblance of offense, yet the Golden Knights were able to secure some scoring talent as they poached NHL teams' rosters. Jonathan Marchessault and one-time 40-goal man James Neal will be the main drivers of whatever offense the Knights can muster. The hope is former 20-goal wingers David Perron and Reilly Smith can rediscover their scoring touch.

The Golden Knights' biggest deficiency is down the middle, as the 1-2 center tandem of 30-year-old KHL import Vadim Shipachyov and Dallas castoff Cody Eakin is far from proven. Vegas has a few young wild cards up front who could pitch in offensively, namely 6-foot-4 right winger Alex Tuch, energetic left winger Brendan Leipsic and former Rangers depth center Oscar Lindberg, but finding goals will be a problem.

DEFENSE The Knights managed to pluck a handful of respectable young blueliners in Shea Theodore, Nate Schmidt, Colin Miller and Brayden McNabb. Theodore, a 22-year-old who ranked 22nd in THN's Future Watch 2017, is the prize of the bunch and has the potential to grow into a top-pairing defenseman. The emerging Schmidt performed well for Washington in the playoffs this past spring and is familiar to former Capitals GM McPhee. Miller skates and shoots exceptionally well and was quietly effective over two seasons in Boston.

Vegas resident Deryk Engelland, scooped up from Calgary, leads the veteran portion of the defense corps, along with Jason Garrison, Luca Sbisa and Clayton Stoner.

FAST FACTS

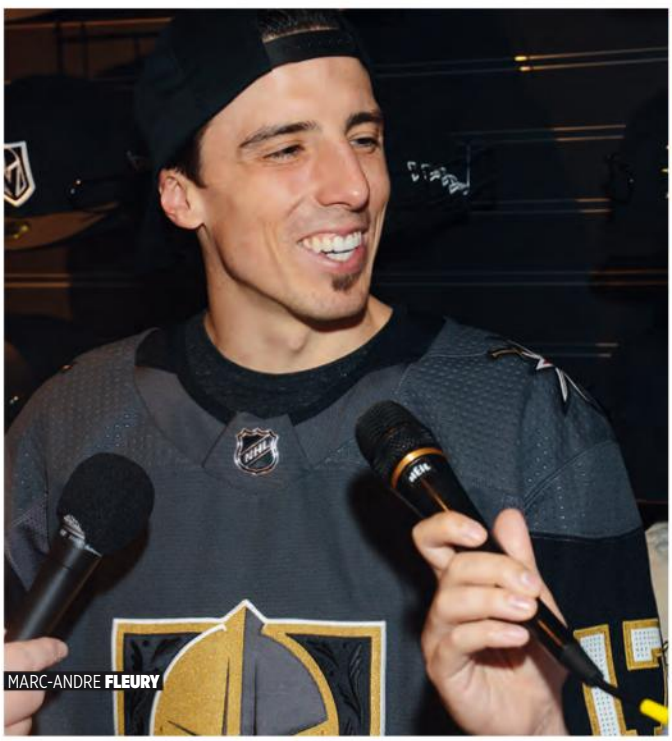
GM
George McPhee

COACH
Gerard Gallant

ARENA
T-Mobile Arena

AHL AFFILIATE
Chicago Wolves

ECHL AFFILIATE
Quad City Mallards



MARC-ANDRE **FLEURY**

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 David Perron
2 William Carrier
3 Teemu Pulkkinen
4 Pierre-Edouard Bellemare
5 Brendan Leipsic

CENTER
1 Vadim Shipachyov
2 Cody Eakin
3 Erik Haula
4 William Karlsson
5 Oscar Lindberg

RIGHT WING
1 James Neal
2 Jonathan Marchessault
3 Reilly Smith
4 Alex Tuch
5 Tomas Nosek

DEFENSE
1 Jason Garrison
2 Shea Theodore
3 Colin Miller
4 Brayden McNabb
5 Nate Schmidt
6 Deryk Engelland
7 Jon Merrill
8 Griffin Reinhart
9 Luca Sbisa
10 Clayton Stoner

GOALIE
1 Marc-Andre Fleury
2 Calvin Pickard
3 Maxime Lagace

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GOALTENDING The Knights landed their No. 1 goalie and an instant fan-favorite by nabbing Marc-Andre Fleury from Pittsburgh. He's a three-time Stanley Cup champion and is motivated after losing his starting job to Matt Murray. If Fleury eventually becomes trade bait, Vegas has a potential No. 1 in Calvin Pickard. He played 50 games for Colorado last season and was a standout on Canada's silver medal-winning entry at the 2017 World Championship.

SPECIAL TEAMS Of Marchessault's 30 goals last season, eight came on the power play. Shipachyov scored 76 points in 50 KHL games, so he'll be leaned on for PP production. Neal is the club's most established goal-scorer and will also be counted on. Garrison and Miller own cannons from the point, with the skilled Theodore and Schmidt also in the mix. With plenty of bottom-six forwards on the roster, competition for time on the penalty kill will be stiff, but Fleury is undoubtedly the most important player.

INTANGIBLES Will visiting teams be blinded by the bright lights of The Strip, stay out too late the night before games, take the Golden Knights lightly and surrender points to the league's newest franchise? Conversely, how will Golden Knights players adjust to their new surroundings?

PLACE YOUR BETS

The debate about the viability of Las Vegas as a suitable NHL market has raged since the city was awarded a franchise in June 2016. Will hockey take hold in Sin City?

ROOKIES Not being old enough to sit at the blackjack table doesn't have anything to do with the fact Vegas is better-served in sending its three first-round picks back to junior. Cody Glass (sixth overall), Nick Suzuki (13th) and Erik Brannstrom (15th) comprise the team's future core. In contention for a roster spot will be 2014 first-rounder Tuch as well as Leipsic, who was a point-per-game player in the AHL last season.

X-FACTOR It's very unlikely, but what happens if Vegas is within striking range of a playoff spot just prior to the trade deadline? Do they fight on, striving for a wild card to keep the fans happy, or do they auction off the expiring contracts of Neal, Perron and others to lay more foundation for the future?

THE BRASS McPhee was given high praise for his expansion draft assembly as he negotiated a balance between icing a (relatively) competitive roster and building a future contender via the draft. There's plenty of wheeling and dealing ahead for McPhee and the Knights. Coach Gerard Gallant, fired by Florida last season, has a chance to be at the helm of building a winning brand.

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Fri. Oct. 6 ..... at Dal
2. Sat. Oct. 7 ..... at Ari
3. Tue. Oct. 10 ..... Ari
4. Fri. Oct. 13 ..... Det
5. Sun. Oct. 15 ..... Bos
6. Tue. Oct. 17 ..... Buf
7. Sat. Oct. 21 ..... StL
8. Tue. Oct. 24 ..... Chi
9. Fri. Oct. 27 ..... Col
10. Mon. Oct. 30 ..... at NYI
11. Tue. Oct. 31 ..... at NYR
12. Thu. Nov. 2 ..... at Bos
13. Sat. Nov. 4 ..... at Ott
14. Mon. Nov. 6 ..... at Tor
15. Tue. Nov. 7 ..... at Mtl
16. Fri. Nov. 10 ..... Wpg
17. Tue. Nov. 14 ..... at Edm
18. Thu. Nov. 16 ..... at Van
19. Sun. Nov. 19 ..... LA
20. Wed. Nov. 22 ..... at Ana
21. Fri. Nov. 24 ..... SJ
22. Sat. Nov. 25 ..... at Ari
23. Tue. Nov. 28 ..... Dal
24. Thu. Nov. 30 ..... at Min
25. Fri. Dec. 1 ..... at Wpg
26. Sun. Dec. 3 ..... Ari
27. Tue. Dec. 5 ..... Ana
28. Fri. Dec. 8 ..... at Nsh
29. Sat. Dec. 9 ..... at Dal
30. Tue. Dec. 12 ..... Car
31. Thu. Dec. 14 ..... Pit
32. Sun. Dec. 17 ..... Fla
33. Tue. Dec. 19 ..... TB
34. Sat. Dec. 23 ..... Wsh
35. Wed. Dec. 27 ..... at Ana
36. Thu. Dec. 28 ..... at LA
37. Sun. Dec. 31 ..... Tor
38. Tue. Jan. 2 ..... Nsh
39. Thu. Jan. 4 ..... at StL
40. Fri. Jan. 5 ..... at Chi
41. Sun. Jan. 7 ..... NYR
42. Sat. Jan. 13 ..... Edm
43. Tue. Jan. 16 ..... at Nsh
44. Thu. Jan. 18 ..... at TB
45. Fri. Jan. 19 ..... at Fla
46. Sun. Jan. 21 ..... at Car
47. Tue. Jan. 23 ..... Clb
48. Thu. Jan. 25 ..... NYI
49. Tue. Jan. 30 ..... at Cgy
50. Thu. Feb. 1 ..... at Wpg
51. Fri. Feb. 2 ..... at Min
52. Sun. Feb. 4 ..... at Wsh
53. Tue. Feb. 6 ..... at Pit
54. Thu. Feb. 8 ..... at SJ
55. Sun. Feb. 11 ..... Phi
56. Tue. Feb. 13 ..... Chi
57. Thu. Feb. 15 ..... Edm
58. Sat. Feb. 17 ..... Mtl
59. Mon. Feb. 19 ..... Ana
60. Wed. Feb. 21 ..... Cgy
61. Fri. Feb. 23 ..... Van
62. Mon. Feb. 26 ..... at LA
63. Tue. Feb. 27 ..... LA
64. Fri. Mar. 2 ..... Ott
65. Sun. Mar. 4 ..... at NJ
66. Tue. Mar. 6 ..... at Clb
67. Thu. Mar. 8 ..... at Det
68. Sat. Mar. 10 ..... at Buf
69. Mon. Mar. 12 ..... at Phi
70. Wed. Mar. 14 ..... NJ
71. Fri. Mar. 16 ..... Min
72. Sun. Mar. 18 ..... Cgy
73. Tue. Mar. 20 ..... Van
74. Thu. Mar. 22 ..... at SJ
75. Sat. Mar. 24 ..... at Col
76. Mon. Mar. 26 ..... Col
77. Wed. Mar. 28 ..... Ari
78. Fri. Mar. 30 ..... StL
79. Sat. Mar. 31 ..... SJ
80. Tue. Apr. 3 ..... at Van
81. Thu. Apr. 5 ..... at Edm
82. Sat. Apr. 7 ..... at Cgy

NICK **SUZUKI**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. CODY GLASS, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Portland (WHL)
Crafty, skilled player is a nifty passer with excellent vision and solid work ethic. Pure offense.
ACQUIRED 6th overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

2. NICK SUZUKI, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Owen Sound (OHL)
Natural goal-scorer with fabulous shot has great hockey sense and good anticipation.
ACQUIRED 13th overall, 2017 **NHL** '18-19

3. ALEX TUCH, RW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Iowa (AHL)
First-rounder from 2014 is a power forward with blend of skill, skating and work ethic.
ACQUIRED From Min, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

4. ERIK BRANNSTROM, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** HV71 (Swe.)
Quick-skating, puck-moving blueliner has nice instincts and IQ. Tiny frame only sticking point.
ACQUIRED 15th overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

5. NICOLAS HAGUE, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Mississauga (OHL)
Big, skilled, mobile rearguard gets heavy shot through traffic. He's working on his quickness.
ACQUIRED 34th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

6. JAKE LESCHYSHYN, C
AGE 18 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Energy player skates hard in all three zones with high-tempo checking mentality.
ACQUIRED 62nd overall, 2017 **NHL** '19-20

7. BRENDAN LEIPSIC, LW
AGE 23 **TEAM** Toronto (AHL)
Small, skilled winger plays with an edge. Good finisher and playmaker for energy line.
ACQUIRED From Tor, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

8. GRIFFIN REINHART, D
AGE 23 **TEAM** Bakersfield (AHL)
The fourth overall pick in 2012 has mobility, assertiveness issues above the AHL level.
ACQUIRED From Edm, June 2017 **NHL** '17-18

9. JONAS RONDBJERG, RW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Vaxjo Jr. (Swe.)
Slight-framed Dane put up nice playmaking numbers at junior level. Needs bigger test.
ACQUIRED 65th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

10. MAKSIM ZHUKOV, G
AGE 18 **TEAM** Green Bay (USHL)
Good reflexes and rebound control, as well as lateral movement and anticipation.
ACQUIRED 96th overall, 2017 **NHL** '22-23

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

CODY GLASS

POSITION
Center

SELECTED
6th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Portland

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mark Scheifele

SCOUTING REPORT
Glass exploded for 94 points during his sophomore season in the WHL and there should be more to come. A playmaker with slick hands and high hockey IQ, he just needs to dig in a little more.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Oscar Dansk	2/28/94	Rogle (Swe)	24	6	16	0	3.00	.903
Stockholm, Sweden		*6-3, 195*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*					
Marc-Andre Fleury	11/28/84	Pittsburgh	38	18	10	7	3.02	.909
Sorel, Que.		*6-2, 180*	*Expansion: Pit 6/21/17*					
Maxime Lagace	1/12/93	Texas (AHL)	32	11	12	3	3.56	.883
Saint-Augustin, Que.		*6-2, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					
Calvin Pickard	4/15/92	Colorado	50	15	31	2	2.98	.904
Moncton, N.B.		*6-1, 200*	*Expansion: Col 6/21/17*					
Maksim Zhukov	7/22/99	Green Bay (USHL)	31	19	8	2	2.25	.913
Kaliningrad, Russia		*6-3, 187*	*Draft: 96th overall ('17)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Jake Bischoff	7/25/94	Minnesota (Big10)	38	5	27	32	16
Cambridge, Minn.		*6-1, 194*	*Trade: NYI 6/21/17*				
Erik Brannstrom	9/2/99	HV71 (Swe)	35	1	5	6	2
Eksjo, Sweden		*5-10, 173*	*Draft: 15th overall ('17)*				
Chris Casto	12/27/91	Providence (AHL)	59	1	11	12	40
St. Paul, Minn.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Deryk Engelland	4/3/82	Calgary	81	4	12	16	85
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-2, 214*	*Expansion: Cgy 6/21/17*				
Jason Garrison	11/13/84	Tampa Bay	70	1	8	9	14
White Rock, B.C.		*6-1, 218*	*Expansion: TB 6/21/17*				
Nicolas Hague	12/5/98	Mississauga (OHL)	65	18	28	46	107
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-6, 215*	*Draft: 34th overall ('17)*				
Brad Hunt	8/24/88	Chicago (AHL)	23	9	20	29	6
Maple Ridge, B.C.		*5-9, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Brayden McNabb	1/21/91	Los Angeles	49	2	2	4	54
Davidson, Sask.		*6-4, 212*	*Expansion: LA 6/21/17*				
Jon Merrill	2/3/92	New Jersey	51	1	5	6	24
Oklahoma City, Okla.		*6-3, 205*	*Expansion: NJ 6/21/17*				
Colin Miller	10/29/92	Boston	61	6	7	13	55
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.		*6-1, 196*	*Expansion: Bos 6/21/17*				
Griffin Reinhart	1/24/94	Bakersfield (AHL)	54	7	14	21	42
North Vancouver, B.C.		*6-4, 212*	*Expansion: Edm 6/21/17*				
Luca Sbisa	1/30/90	Vancouver	82	2	11	13	40
Ozieri, Italy		*6-2, 209*	*Expansion: Van 6/21/17*				
Nate Schmidt	7/16/91	Washington	60	3	14	17	16
St. Cloud, Minn.		*6-1, 194*	*Expansion: Wsh 6/21/17*				
Clayton Stoner	2/19/85	Anaheim	14	1	2	3	28
Port McNeill, B.C.		*6-4, 216*	*Expansion: Ana 6/21/17*				
Shea Theodore	8/3/95	Anaheim	34	2	7	9	28
Langley, B.C.		*6-2, 195*	*Trade: Ana 6/21/17*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
P-E Bellemare	3/6/85	Philadelphia	82	4	4	8	20
Le Blanc-Mesnil, France		*6-0, 198*	*Expansion: Phi 6/21/17*				
Reid Duke	1/28/96	Brandon (WHL)	59	37	34	71	81
Calgary, Alta.		*6-0, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 3/6/17*				
Cody Eakin	5/24/91	Dallas	60	3	9	12	49
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-0, 190*	*Expansion: Dal 6/21/17*				
Cody Glass	4/1/99	Portland (WHL)	69	32	62	94	36
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-2, 178*	*Draft: 6th overall ('17)*				
Erik Haula	3/23/91	Minnesota	72	15	11	26	28
Pori, Finland		*6-0, 193*	*Expansion: Min 6/21/17*				
William Karlsson	1/8/93	Columbus	81	6	19	25	10
Marsta, Sweden		*6-1, 189*	*Expansion: Clb 6/21/17*				
Jake Leschyshyn	3/10/99	Regina (WHL)	47	17	23	40	22
Raleigh, N.C.		*5-11, 185*	*Draft: 62nd overall ('17)*				
Vadim Shipachyov	3/12/87	St. Petersburg (KHL)	50	26	50	76	22
Cherepovets, Russia		*6-0, 187*	*Free Agent: signed 5/4/17*				
Nick Suzuki	8/10/99	Owen Sound (OHL)	65	45	51	96	10
London, Ont.		*5-11, 183*	*Draft: 13th overall ('17)*				
T.J. Tynan	2/25/92	Cleveland (AHL)	72	12	29	41	34
Orland Park, Ill.		*5-8, 165*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
William Carrier	12/20/94	Buffalo	41	5	3	8	21
Lasalle, Que.		*6-2, 212*	*Expansion: Buf 6/21/17*				
Oscar Lindberg	10/29/91	NY Rangers	65	8	12	20	32
Skelleftea, Sweden		*6-1, 202*	*Expansion: NYR 6/21/17*				
Stefan Matteau	2/23/94	St. John's (AHL)	67	12	13	25	122
Chicago, Ill.		*6-2, 220*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Tomas Nosek	9/1/92	Grand Rapids (AHL)	51	15	26	41	33
Pardubice, Czech.		*6-3, 210*	*Expansion: Det 6/21/17*				
David Perron	5/28/88	St. Louis	82	18	28	46	54
Sherbrooke, Que.		*6-0, 200*	*Expansion: StL 6/21/17*				
Teemu Pulkkinen	1/2/92	Iowa (AHL)	47	18	18	36	36
Vantaa, Finland		*5-10, 185*	*Expansion: Ari 6/21/17*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Tomas Hyka	3/23/93	Mlada Boleslav (Cze)	48	17	21	38	18
Mlada Boleslav, Czech.		*5-11, 160*	*Free Agent: signed 6/1/17*				
Keegan Kolesar	4/8/97	Seattle (WHL)	54	26	34	60	101
Brandon, Man.		*6-2, 227*	*Trade: Clb 6/24/17*				
Brendan Leipsic	5/19/94	Toronto (AHL)	49	18	33	51	30
Winnipeg, Man.		*5-10, 180*	*Expansion: Tor 6/21/17*				
J. Marchessault	12/27/90	Florida	75	30	21	51	38
Cap-Rouge, Que.		*5-9, 174*	*Expansion: Fla 6/21/17*				
James Neal	9/3/87	Nashville	70	23	18	41	35
Whitby, Ont.		*6-2, 221*	*Expansion: Nsh 6/21/17*				
Jonas Rondbjerg	3/31/99	Vaxjo (Swe Jr.)	42	9	22	31	4
Horsholm, Denmark		*6-2, 187*	*Draft: 65th overall ('17)*				
Reilly Smith	4/1/91	Florida	80	15	22	37	17
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 185*	*Trade: Fla 6/21/17*				
Alex Tuch	5/10/96	Iowa (AHL)	57	18	19	37	28
Syracuse, N.Y.		*6-4, 222*	*Trade: Min 6/21/17*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

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Washington CAPITALS

BY TARIK EL-BASHIR

AFTER SPENDING THE past three years fortifying their roster for a run at the Stanley Cup, the Capitals find themselves in a tough spot: they're suffering from a championship hangover, minus the championship. The salary cap crunch that we all saw coming arrived this off-season – and it wasn't pretty. Justin Williams, Karl Alzner, Kevin Shattenkirk and Daniel Winnik all left via free agency. A few days later, GM Brian MacLellan was forced to create cap space by trading Marcus Johansson to New Jersey for draft picks. And on top of all that, Vegas poached Nate Schmidt in the expansion draft.

The bottom line? After back-to-back Presidents' Trophies, coach Barry Trotz won't have as many weapons at his disposal. But it's not all bad news. There's still a formidable core featuring forwards Alex Ovechkin, Nicklas Backstrom, T.J. Oshie and Evgeny Kuznetsov, defensemen John Carlson, Matt Niskanen and Dmitry Orlov and goalie Braden Holtby. That will be enough to send Washington to the playoffs for the 10th time in 11 seasons.

OFFENSE The Capitals boasted the NHL's third-best offense last season, but the departures of Williams and Johansson (24 goals apiece) make it unreasonable to expect that kind of production again. Ovechkin followed three consecutive 50-goal seasons with 33 goals and 69 points last year. Is this the beginning of a precipitous decline for the 32-year-old scoring machine?

It's obvious who will be counted on to carry the offense. What's less obvious is who will provide the secondary scoring. The expectation is that it will come via increased production from youngsters Andre Burakovsky, who is moving into the top-six full-time, Brett Connolly, Tom Wilson and prospect Jakub Vrana, a first-round draft pick (13th overall) in 2014.

ALEX OVECHKIN

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
55-19-8 (118 pts)

OT/SO
8-3/2-5

DIVISION
1st

OVERALL
1st

OFFENSE
3.18 GPG (3rd)

DEFENSE
2.16 GAA (1st)

POWER PLAY
23.1% (4th)

PENALTY KILL
83.8% (7th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
53.21% (3rd)

1-GOAL GAMES
20-5-8 (.727)

2-GOAL GAMES
13-6 (.684)

3+ GOAL GAMES
22-8 (.733)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Alex Ovechkin (18:21)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
John Carlson (22:42)

FAST FACTS

GM
Brian MacLellan

COACH
Barry Trotz

ARENA
Verizon Center

CAPACITY
18,506

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
18,506 (13th)

AHL AFFILIATE
Hershey Bears

ECHL AFFILIATE
South Carolina Stingrays

PLAYOFF RECORD
23-23 (since 2013)

DEFENSE This is where the cap issues will be felt the most. Alzner and Shattenkirk walked and there wasn't room to sign a replacement for the Vegas-bound Schmidt. So who's left? Carlson and a solid pair in Niskanen and Orlov, plus veteran Brooks Orpik and depth defender Taylor Chorney.

After that, it's youth and question marks. It seems likely at least two prospects – some combination of Madison Bowey, Christian Djoos, Tyler Lewington and possibly 2016 first-rounder Lucas Johansen – will see significant playing time. That, of course, means a lot of inexperience at a position where experience matters.

GOALTENDING Although Holtby sagged a bit in the post-season, there's not much hand-wringing in D.C. about his ability to bounce back. The 27-year-old won the Vezina Trophy in 2016 and was a finalist last season. The dependable Philipp Grubauer returns as Holt-

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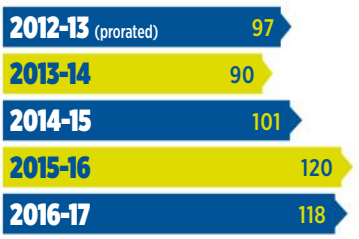
TRENDING

Regular Season Points



by's backup. If there's any reason for concern, it's that Holtby has logged a lot of hard miles in recent seasons – since 2014, he has started more games and faced more shots than any other goalie.

SPECIAL TEAMS The Capitals' power play tied with the Penguins for third-best last season, while the penalty kill was the league's seventh-most effective unit. However, many of the players who helped propel those units to the upper echelon are gone. Johansson was third on the team in power play points, while Williams was tied for fourth in power play goals. Washington's penalty kill also took a hit – Alzner led the team in short-handed ice time. There will be a drop-off for the Caps' special teams. The only question is how steep will it be?

FRONT & CENTER
Nicklas Backstrom, the Caps' underrated playmaker, finally earned widespread recognition last season after surging to his best offensive campaign since 2009-10.

INTANGIBLES Trotz's assistant coaches – Todd Reirden, Lane Lambert, Blaine Forsythe and Mitch Korn – are regarded as some of the best in the NHL. Reirden and Lambert have been finalists for head coaching jobs. Given the team's injection of youth, teaching will be as important as ever this winter.

ROOKIES At training camp the past few years, youngsters knew they had little chance of sticking. It'll be different this time around. In addition to the aforementioned prospects vying for jobs on the blueline, forwards Vrana, Nathan Walker, Riley Barber and Chandler Stephenson figure to be in the mix for spots.

X-FACTOR After a seven-goal regular season, Wilson enjoyed a playoff breakout, scoring three times versus Toronto, including an OT-winner. Can some of that post-season success carry over? The Caps, who are expected to give Wilson more ice time, certainly hope so.

THE BRASS MacLellan spent the past three years aggressively pursuing top talent to supplement Ovechkin & Co. Now the GM faces a more difficult challenge in retooling a top-heavy roster on the fly. So far, the results have been mixed. Trotz said in late June he had not discussed a contract extension to take him beyond the 2017-18 season.

DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Alex Ovechkin
2 Andre Burakovsky
3 Brett Connolly
4 Tyler Graovac
5 Nathan Walker

CENTER
1 Nicklas Backstrom
2 Evgeny Kuznetsov
3 Lars Eller
4 Jay Beagle
5 Chandler Stephenson

RIGHT WING
1 T.J. Oshie
2 Tom Wilson
3 Jakub Vrana
4 Devante Smith-Pelly
5 Riley Barber

DEFENSE
1 John Carlson
2 Matt Niskanen
3 Dmitry Orlov
4 Brooks Orpik
5 Madison Bowey
6 Taylor Chorney
7 Christian Djoos
8 Tyler Lewington
9 Aaron Ness
10 Lucas Johansen

GOALIE
1 Braden Holtby
2 Philipp Grubauer
3 Pheonix Copley

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Karl Alzner, D; Kevin Shattenkirk, D; Justin Williams, RW; Marcus Johansson, LW; Nate Schmidt, D

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. ILYA SAMSONOV, G
AGE 20 **TEAM** Metallurg (KHL)
Tall, athletic stopper outplayed 33-year-old KHL veteran but got less than half the workload.
ACQUIRED 22nd overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

2. JAKUB VRANA, LW
AGE 21 **TEAM** Hershey (AHL)
Vrana is a pure scorer. He'll be up full-time when he's better able to play in his own end.
ACQUIRED 13th overall, 2014 **NHL** '17-18

3. JONAS SIEGENTHALER, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Zurich (Swi.)
Don't let his big, beefy frame fool you, he can skate with the best of them.
ACQUIRED 57th overall, 2015 **NHL** '19-20

4. MADISON BOWEY, D
AGE 22 **TEAM** Hershey (AHL)
He has size, skill, speed and good instincts. He's the complete package for a top-four D-man.
ACQUIRED 53rd overall, 2013 **NHL** '17-18

5. LUCAS JOHANSEN, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Kelowna (WHL)
Moves the puck well but not what you would call offensive. Ryan's brother needs to bulk up.
ACQUIRED 28th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

6. CONNOR HOBBS, D
AGE 20 **TEAM** Regina (WHL)
Pure offense from the blueline. The rest of his game is rounding into form as well.
ACQUIRED 143rd overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

7. CHANDLER STEPHENSON, C
AGE 23 **TEAM** Hershey (AHL)
Physical player can throw his weight around as a third-line center. Good penalty killer.
ACQUIRED 77th overall, 2012 **NHL** '17-18

8. TOBIAS GEISSER, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Zug EV Academy (Swi.)
When the going gets tough, this big defender gets going. Plays a simple, two-way game.
ACQUIRED 120th overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

9. RILEY BARBER, RW
AGE 23 **TEAM** Hershey (AHL)
Missed half of his second AHL season due to injury. More a scorer than a playmaker.
ACQUIRED 167th overall, 2012 **NHL** '18-19

10. TRAVIS BOYD, C
AGE 24 **TEAM** Hershey (AHL)
An NCAA Minnesota grad, this pass-first pivot led the Bears in points. Good depth forward.
ACQUIRED 177th overall, 2011 **NHL** '18-19

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

TOBIAS GEISSER

POSITION
Defenseman

SELECTED
120th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Zug

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Mattias Ekholm

SCOUTING REPORT
A big kid who has decent feet, Geisser should've been on Switzerland's World Junior Championship squad last year. He'll be a key member of the Swiss national team in 2018.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Pheonix Copley	1/18/92	Chi/Her (AHL)	41	26	11	3	2.25	.924
North Pole, Alaska		*6-4, 196*	*Trade: StL 2/27/17*					
Philipp Grubauer	11/25/91	Washington	24	13	6	2	2.04	.926
Rosenheim, Germany		*6-1, 182*	*Draft: 112th overall ('10)*					
Braden Holtby	9/16/89	Washington	63	42	13	6	2.07	.925
Lloydminster, Sask.		*6-2, 217*	*Draft: 93rd overall ('08)*					
Ilya Samsonov	2/22/97	Magnitogorsk (KHL)	27	15	3	0	2.13	.936
Magnitogorsk, Russia		*6-3, 200*	*Draft: 22nd overall ('15)*					
Vitek Vanecek	1/9/96	Hershey (AHL)	39	18	10	7	2.54	.909
Havlickuv Brod, Czech.		*6-1, 180*	*Draft: 39th overall ('14)*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kristofers Bindulis	9/17/95	Lake Superior St. (WCHA)	28	1	11	12	20
Riga, Latvia		*6-1, 168*	*Free Agent: signed 3/7/17*				
Madison Bowey	4/22/95	Hershey (AHL)	34	3	11	14	28
Winnipeg, Man.		*6-1, 195*	*Draft: 53rd overall ('13)*				
John Carlson	1/10/90	Washington	72	9	28	37	10
Natick, Mass.		*6-3, 215*	*Draft: 27th overall ('08)*				
Taylor Chorney	4/27/87	Washington	18	1	4	5	11
Thunder Bay, Ont.		*6-0, 191*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Christian Djoos	8/6/94	Hershey (AHL)	66	13	45	58	34
Gothenburg, Sweden		*6-0, 164*	*Draft: 195th overall ('12)*				
Tobias Geisser	2/13/99	Zug (Swi2)	34	3	7	10	14
Stans, Switzerland		*6-4, 200*	*Draft: 120th overall ('17)*				
Connor Hobbs	1/4/97	Regina (WHL)	67	31	54	85	92
Regina, Sask.		*6-1, 187*	*Draft: 143rd overall ('15)*				
Lucas Johansen	11/16/97	Kelowna (WHL)	68	6	35	41	39
Vancouver, B.C.		*6-2, 176*	*Draft: 28th overall ('16)*				
Tyler Lewington	12/5/94	Hershey (AHL)	72	4	13	17	142
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 189*	*Draft: 204th overall ('13)*				
Aaron Ness	5/18/90	Hershey (AHL)	51	5	12	17	24
Roseau, Minn.		*5-10, 184*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/15*				
Matt Niskanen	12/6/86	Washington	78	5	34	39	32
Virginia, Minn.		*6-1, 200*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Dmitry Orlov	7/23/91	Washington	82	6	27	33	51
Novokuznetsk, Russia		*5-11, 212*	*Draft: 55th overall ('09)*				
Brooks Orpik	9/26/80	Washington	79	0	14	14	48
San Francisco, Calif.		*6-3, 219*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Jonas Siegenthaler	5/6/97	ZSC Lions (Swi)	28	1	6	7	16
Zurich, Switzerland		*6-3, 220*	*Draft: 57th overall ('15)*				
Colby Williams	1/26/95	Hershey (AHL)	60	4	12	16	40
Regina, Sask.		*5-11, 191*	*Draft: 173rd overall ('15)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
John Albert	1/19/89	Karpat (Fin)	42	12	12	24	16
Cleveland, Ohio		*5-11, 190*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*				
Nicklas Backstrom	11/23/87	Washington	82	23	63	86	38
Gavle, Sweden		*6-1, 213*	*Draft: 4th overall ('06)*				
Jay Beagle	10/16/85	Washington	81	13	17	30	22
Calgary, Alta.		*6-3, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 3/26/08*				
Travis Boyd	9/14/93	Hershey (AHL)	76	16	47	63	16
Edina, Minn.		*5-11, 191*	*Draft: 177th overall ('11)*				
Lars Eller	5/8/89	Washington	81	12	13	25	36
Rodovre, Denmark		*6-2, 207*	*Trade: Mtl 6/24/16*				
Evgeny Kuznetsov	5/19/92	Washington	82	19	40	59	46
Chelyabinsk, Russia		*6-2, 192*	*Draft: 26th overall ('10)*				
Tim McGauley	7/23/95	South Carolina (ECHL)	39	4	13	17	8
Nelson, B.C.		*6-0, 175*	*Free Agent: signed 10/5/15*				
Zach Sill	5/24/88	Hershey (AHL)	67	7	9	16	30
Truro, N.S.		*6-0, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/16/15*				
C. Stephenson	4/22/94	Hershey (AHL)	72	10	28	38	42
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-0, 204*	*Draft: 77th overall ('12)*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Brett Connolly	5/2/92	Washington	66	15	8	23	40
Campbell River, B.C.		*6-3, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Tyler Graovac	4/27/93	Minnesota	52	7	2	9	10
Brampton, Ont.		*6-5, 212*	*Trade: Min 6/14/17*				
Hampus Gustafsson	10/26/93	Merrimack (HE)	36	15	11	26	43
Ljungby, Sweden		*6-4, 205*	*Free Agent: signed 3/7/17*				
Mason Mitchell	6/13/94	AK-Anchorage (WCHA)	31	12	2	14	73
Calgary, Alta.		*6-2, 206*	*Free Agent: signed 3/2/17*				
Liam O'Brien	7/29/94	Hershey (AHL)	64	10	20	30	117
Halifax, N.S.		*6-1, 215*	*Free Agent: signed 10/6/14*				
Alex Ovechkin	9/17/85	Washington	82	33	36	69	50
Moscow, Russia		*6-3, 239*	*Draft: 1st overall ('04)*				
Jakub Vrana	2/28/96	Hershey (AHL)	49	19	17	36	28
Prague, Czech.		*6-0, 195*	*Draft: 13th overall ('14)*				
Nathan Walker	2/7/94	Hershey (AHL)	58	11	12	23	33
Cardiff, England		*5-8, 186*	*Draft: 89th overall ('14)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Riley Barber	2/7/94	Hershey (AHL)	39	13	14	27	12
Pittsburgh, Pa.		*6-0, 193*	*Draft: 167th overall ('12)*				
Andre Burakovsky	2/9/95	Washington	64	12	23	35	14
Klagenfurt, Austria		*6-3, 205*	*Draft: 23rd overall ('13)*				
T.J. Oshie	12/23/86	Washington	68	33	23	56	36
Everett, Wash.		*6-0, 189*	*Trade: StL 7/2/15*				
Anthony Peluso	4/18/89	Manitoba (AHL)	22	0	2	2	6
North York, Ont.		*6-3, 235*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Wayne Simpson	11/19/89	Providence (AHL)	76	16	33	49	10
Oakville, Ont.		*5-11, 194*	*Free Agent: signed 7/11/17*				
Devante Smith-Pelly	6/14/92	New Jersey	53	4	5	9	12
Scarborough, Ont.		*6-0, 214*	*Free Agent: signed 7/3/17*				
Tom Wilson	3/29/94	Washington	82	7	12	19	133
Toronto, Ont.		*6-4, 217*	*Draft: 16th overall ('12)*				

**Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs*

SAMSONOV: JEFF VINNICK/NHLI VIA GETTY IMAGES; GEISSER: ANDREA CARDIN/HHOF-IIHF IMAGES

2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

												EXTENDED STATS						TIME ON ICE			2017 PLAYOFFS					
NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	PP	SH	TOTAL	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
19	Nicklas Backstrom	82	23	63	86	17	38	8	0	5	162	14.2	51	35	685	648	51.4	3:03	0:41	18:15	13	6	7	13	0	2
8	Alex Ovechkin	82	33	36	69	6	50	17	0	7	313	10.5	43	26	0	1	0.0	3:43	0:01	18:21	13	5	3	8	-4	8
92	Evgeny Kuznetsov	82	19	40	59	18	46	3	0	4	170	11.2	45	14	456	581	44.0	2:00	0:01	16:57	13	5	5	10	-1	8
90	Marcus Johansson	82	24	34	58	25	10	5	0	5	129	18.6	39	19	13	15	46.4	2:49	0:01	16:59	13	2	6	8	-1	2
77	T.J. Oshie	68	33	23	56	28	36	7	1	4	143	23.1	40	13	87	93	48.3	2:54	0:59	17:51	13	4	8	12	2	4
22	Kevin Shattenkirk	80	13	43	56	-7	47	8	0	2	161	8.1	29	27	—	—	—	3:12	0:18	19:56	—	—	—	—	—	—
	StL	61	11	31	42	-11	37	7	0	0	115	9.6	22	20	—	—	—	3:07	0:22	19:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
	Wsh	19	2	12	14	4	10	1	0	2	46	4.3	7	7	—	—	—	3:29	0:06	20:12	13	1	5	6	-4	6
14	Justin Williams	80	24	24	48	14	50	5	0	4	167	14.4	38	10	64	53	54.7	2:04	0:23	15:28	13	3	6	9	0	6
2	Matt Niskanen	78	5	34	39	20	32	1	0	2	154	3.2	29	9	—	—	—	1:47	2:35	22:10	13	1	3	4	0	19
74	John Carlson	72	9	28	37	7	10	3	0	3	180	5.0	20	16	—	—	—	2:38	2:58	22:42	13	2	2	4	1	4
65	Andre Burakovsky	64	12	23	35	13	14	2	0	1	111	10.8	30	5	2	5	28.6	1:27	0:00	13:15	13	3	3	6	5	2
9	Dmitry Orlov	82	6	27	33	30	51	1	0	0	125	4.8	27	6	—	—	—	1:08	0:14	19:32	13	0	3	3	-1	2
83	Jay Beagle	81	13	17	30	20	22	0	1	4	100	13.0	27	0	624	483	56.4	0:05	2:45	13:37	13	0	0	0	-5	4
26	Daniel Winnik	72	12	13	25	15	49	0	2	3	82	14.6	23	0	9	12	42.9	0:02	2:31	12:54	13	0	0	0	-4	0
20	Lars Eller	81	12	13	25	15	36	0	1	2	115	10.4	23	1	416	467	47.1	0:10	2:10	13:54	13	0	5	5	-2	10
10	Brett Connolly	66	15	8	23	20	40	1	0	3	81	18.5	22	1	4	10	28.6	0:26	0:00	10:41	7	0	0	0	-2	0
43	Tom Wilson	82	7	12	19	9	133	0	0	0	95	7.4	19	0	3	7	30.0	0:02	2:04	12:55	13	3	0	3	-2	34
88	Nate Schmidt	60	3	14	17	22	16	0	0	0	60	5.0	16	0	—	—	—	0:09	0:42	15:28	11	1	3	4	6	4
44	Brooks Orpik	79	0	14	14	32	48	0	0	0	93	0.0	14	0	—	—	—	0:01	2:23	17:47	13	0	2	2	-7	11
27	Karl Alzner	82	3	10	13	23	28	0	0	0	81	3.7	13	0	—	—	—	0:02	3:03	19:47	7	0	0	0	-1	2
13	*Jakub Vrana	21	3	3	6	2	2	3	0	2	32	9.4	2	4	0	3	0.0	1:48	0:00	11:06	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Taylor Chorney	18	1	4	5	8	11	0	0	1	19	5.3	5	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:42	14:15	—	—	—	—	—	—
76	*Garrett Mitchell	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0:00	0:00	8:48	—	—	—	—	—	—
87	*Liam O'Brien	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	6:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
55	Aaron Ness	2	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	12:50	—	—	—	—	—	—
24	*Riley Barber	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:00	8:34	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	*Chandler Stephenson	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	0	0	12	13	48.0	0:01	0:14	8:52	—	—	—	—	—	—
28	Paul Carey	6	0	0	0	-2	0	0	0	0	8	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:00	0:33	10:28	1	0	0	0	0	0
31	Philipp Grubauer	24	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	0	0	0	—	0
70	Braden Holtby	63	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	0	0	0	—	2

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	G	A	PIM
31	Philipp Grubauer	24	1,265	2.04	13	6	2	5	3	43	585	.926	0	0	0
70	Braden Holtby	63	3,680	2.07	42	13	6	2	9	127	1,690	.925	0	0	0

2017 PLAYOFFS

GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
1	19	6.32	0	0	1	0	2	9	.778
13	803	2.47	7	6	0	0	33	364	.909

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Thu. Oct. 5 . . . . . at Ott
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . Mtl
3. Mon. Oct. 9. . . . . at TB
4. Wed. Oct. 11 . . . . . Pit
5. Fri. Oct. 13. . . . . at NJ
6. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . at Phi
7. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . Tor
8. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . at Det
9. Sat. Oct. 21 . . . . . Fla
10. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at Van
11. Sat. Oct. 28 . . . . . at Edm
12. Sun. Oct. 29 . . . . . at Cgy
13. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . NYI
14. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . at Bos
15. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . Ari
16. Tue. Nov. 7 . . . . . at Buf
17. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . Pit
18. Sun. Nov. 12 . . . . . Edm
19. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . at Nsh
20. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . at Col
21. Sat. Nov. 18. . . . . Min
22. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . . Cgy
23. Wed. Nov. 22. . . . . Ott
24. Fri. Nov. 24. . . . . TB
25. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at Tor
26. Thu. Nov. 30. . . . . LA
27. Sat. Dec. 2 . . . . . Clb
28. Mon. Dec. 4 . . . . . SJ
29. Wed. Dec. 6 . . . . . Chi
30. Fri. Dec. 8 . . . . . NYR
31. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . at NYI
32. Tue. Dec. 12 . . . . . Col
33. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . at Bos
34. Sat. Dec. 16. . . . . Ana
35. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at Dal
36. Fri. Dec. 22. . . . . at Ari
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at Veg
38. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . at NYR
39. Thu. Dec. 28. . . . . Bos
40. Sat. Dec. 30 . . . . . NJ
41. Tue. Jan. 2. . . . . at Car
42. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . StL
43. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . Van
44. Thu. Jan. 11 . . . . . Car
45. Fri. Jan. 12. . . . . at Car
46. Thu. Jan. 18. . . . . at NJ
47. Fri. Jan. 19. . . . . Mtl
48. Sun. Jan. 21. . . . . Phi
49. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Fla
50. Wed. Jan. 31. . . . . Phi
51. Fri. Feb. 2 . . . . . at Pit
52. Sun. Feb. 4 . . . . . Veg
53. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . at Clb
54. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . Clb
55. Sun. Feb. 11. . . . . Det
56. Tue. Feb. 13. . . . . at Wpg
57. Thu. Feb. 15 . . . . . at Min
58. Sat. Feb. 17. . . . . at Chi
59. Mon. Feb. 19. . . . . at Buf
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . TB
61. Thu. Feb. 22 . . . . . at Fla
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . Buf
63. Mon. Feb. 26 . . . . . at Clb
64. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . Ott
65. Sat. Mar. 3. . . . . Tor
66. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . at Ana
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . at LA
68. Sat. Mar. 10. . . . . at SJ
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . Wpg
70. Thu. Mar. 15. . . . . at NYI
71. Fri. Mar. 16. . . . . NYI
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . at Phi
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . Dal
74. Thu. Mar. 22 . . . . . at Det
75. Sat. Mar. 24 . . . . . at Mtl
76. Mon. Mar. 26 . . . . at NYR
77. Wed. Mar. 28 . . . . . NYR
78. Fri. Mar. 30 . . . . . Car
79. Sun. Apr. 1. . . . . at Pit
80. Mon. Apr. 2. . . . . at StL
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Nsh
82. Sat. Apr. 7. . . . . NJ

BRADEN **HOLTBY**

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PREDICTION | 6TH in Central **STANLEY CUP ODDS** | 35/1

Winnipeg JETS

BY JARED CLINTON

THE TIME FOR the promise of a bright future is over in Winnipeg. With all the pieces in place, the Jets need to start winning. Over the past two seasons, Winnipeg has had a squad capable of competing for a playoff berth, but on-ice shortcomings have continued to hold them back. In 2015-16, the Jets fell short with an inexperienced club that took its lumps, and the past season came with high expectations, only to fall victim to injuries and abysmal goaltending.

GM Kevin Cheveldayoff has sized up his squad and addressed the areas necessary to make the franchise a perennial playoff contender. He's added help between the pipes, bolstered the blueline and projects growth from the team's young stars. If all goes according to plan, the Jets should see some real, tangible success for the first time in a few seasons. The biggest problem now: they play in the minefield that is the Central Division.

OFFENSE As the seventh-highest scoring team least season, Winnipeg isn't lacking in the goal department. Patrik Laine was as advertised, pulverizing pucks and terrorizing goalies with a team-leading 36 goals, and he was one of five Jets to eclipse the 20-goal plateau. Perhaps the biggest revelation was the play of Nikolaj Ehlers, who grew substantially in his sophomore season and posted a 25-goal, 64-point campaign.

The central focus of the attack is Mark Scheifele. He set career highs once again with 32 goals and 82 points, and when you add Blake Wheeler, Bryan Little and a blueline that features Dustin Byfuglien, Jacob Trouba and Josh Morrissey, it's clear offense is the Jets' greatest asset.

DEFENSE Not enough can be said of Tobias Enstrom's decision to waive his no-movement clause ahead of the expansion draft, as it al-

TEEN SNIPER
Patrik Laine lit the league on fire as an 18-year-old rookie, unleashing his comically hard shot to become the youngest player in NHL history to notch three hat tricks.

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MARK SCHEIFELE

lowed the Jets to retain a very promising defense corps. They may fly under the radar, but Byfuglien, Enstrom, Trouba, Morrissey and Tyler Myers makes for a rock-solid group, and Winnipeg added to that by inking UFA Dmitry Kulikov in the summer.

It should be a smooth-skating, puck-moving blueline, but the prolonged defensive success of the team may hinge on health. Losing Myers, first to injury and then to a personal matter, threw things into disarray before Morrissey got settled last season, and the Jets want more reliability from the back end.

GOALTENDING Winnipeg was the only team to finish in the top 15 in scoring and still end up with a negative goal differential. That speaks volumes about the Jets' need for goaltending help. Cheveldayoff strengthened the crease by signing Steve Mason, who ranks among the league leaders in 5-on-5 save percentage over the past four seasons. Winnipeg hasn't given up on 24-year-old Connor Hellebuyck, however. He's still the goalie of the future, but he'll have to split starts until he shows he's ready to take over as the clear-cut No. 1.

SPECIAL TEAMS Laine's arrival as a triggerman helped elevate a league-worst power play in 2015-16 to the middle of the pack. While the Jets still want to get more out of their man-advantage unit, the primary area of concern should be strengthening the penalty kill. Better goaltending will help, but better shorthanded results start with staying out of the box. Winnipeg was down a man more often than all but two teams last season and only two teams allowed more power play goals.

INTANGIBLES Captaining one of the league's youngest teams is no easy task for Wheeler, but he did an exemplary job. His consoling of Laine after a costly own-goal by the youngster was exactly the reason Wheeler wears the 'C.' Guidance from a veteran who will do whatever it takes for success can rub off on the rest of the team as Winnipeg seeks to foster a winning environment.

ROOKIES The Jets' draft-and-develop model has created a logjam for those trying to crack the lineup, but left winger Kyle Connor, selected 17th overall in 2015, and center Jack Roslovic, taken eight picks later, are two candidates to add scoring punch.

X-FACTOR All eyes are on the crease. The work has been done to insulate the net with talented, high-scoring forwards and defensemen who can transition up ice, but it will all be for naught if the tandem of Mason and Hellebuyck fails to hold the fort.

THE BRASS Though there have been rumblings of an extension for well-liked but divisive coach Paul Maurice, this is likely a show-me season for the bench boss. Winnipeg has too much raw talent to continue to miss the post-season, and if the Jets stumble out of the gate or hit a snag at any point, a change might be in the cards.

2016-17 NUMBERS

RECORD
40-35-7 (87 pts)

OT/SO
4-6/3-1

DIVISION
5th

OVERALL
20th

OFFENSE
3.00 GPG (7th)

DEFENSE
3.11 GAA (27th)

POWER PLAY
18.2% (18th)

PENALTY KILL
77.5% (26th)

SCORE/VENUE ADJ. 5-ON-5 CORSI
49.00% (21st)

1-GOAL GAMES
18-11-7 (.597)

2-GOAL GAMES
10-6 (.625)

3+ GOAL GAMES
12-18 (.400)

ICE TIME LEAD (F)
Mark Scheifele (20:33)

ICE TIME LEAD (D)
Dustin Byfuglien (27:26)

FAST FACTS

GM
Kevin Cheveldayoff

COACH
Paul Maurice

ARENA
Bell MTS Place

CAPACITY
15,294

2016-17 ATTENDANCE
15,732 (24th)

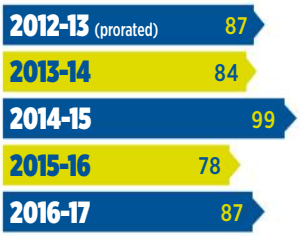
AHL AFFILIATE
Manitoba Moose

ECHL AFFILIATE
Jacksonville IceMen

PLAYOFF RECORD
0-4 (since 2013)

TRENDING

Regular Season Points



DEPTH CHART

LEFT WING
1 Nikolaj Ehlers
2 Mathieu Perreault
3 Kyle Connor
4 Shawn Matthias
5 Michael Sgarbossa

CENTER
1 Mark Scheifele
2 Bryan Little
3 Adam Lowry
4 Nic Petan
5 Andrew Copp

RIGHT WING
1 Patrik Laine
2 Blake Wheeler
3 Joel Armia
4 Marko Dano
5 Brandon Tanev

DEFENSE
1 Dustin Byfuglien
2 Jacob Trouba
3 Tyler Myers
4 Josh Morrissey
5 Dmitry Kulikov
6 Toby Enstrom
7 Ben Chiarot
8 Julian Melchiori
9 Nelson Nogier
10 Tucker Poolman

GOALIE
1 Steve Mason
2 Connor Hellebuyck
3 Michael Hutchinson

INDICATES NEW ARRIVAL

KEY DEPARTURES Ondrej Pavelec, G; Paul Postma, D; Chris Thorburn, RW

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KYLE **CONNOR**

Future WATCH

TOP 10 PROSPECTS

1. KYLE CONNOR, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Manitoba (AHL)
High-octane winger landed a spot on Jets right out of college, but he needed time on farm.
ACQUIRED 17th overall, 2015 **NHL** '17-18

2. JACK ROSLOVIC, C
AGE 20 **TEAM** Manitoba (AHL)
Responsible two-way player could use another year in minors to refine offensive touch.
ACQUIRED 25th overall, 2015 **NHL** '18-19

3. LOGAN STANLEY, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Windsor (OHL)
Knee injury sidetracked his development. Good skater and puck-mover with a mean streak.
ACQUIRED 18th overall, 2016 **NHL** '19-20

4. KRISTIAN VESALAINEN, LW
AGE 18 **TEAM** Frolunda (Swe.)
Sizable winger strong on the puck, quick on his feet. Just needs to ramp up intensity.
ACQUIRED 24th overall, 2017 **NHL** '20-21

5. ERIC COMRIE, G
AGE 22 **TEAM** Manitoba (AHL)
Competitive with good lateral movement. An AHL workhorse in his first two pro seasons.
ACQUIRED 59th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

6. DYLAN SAMBERG, D
AGE 18 **TEAM** Hermantown (USHL)
Imposing, two-way defender with good physical tools. Off to Minnesota-Duluth.
ACQUIRED 43rd overall, 2017 **NHL** '21-22

7. TUCKER POOLMAN, D
AGE 24 **TEAM** North Dakota (NCHC)
Late-bloomer signed pro contract after his junior NCAA season. Plays mature game.
ACQUIRED 127th overall, 2013 **NHL** '19-20

8. MIKHAIL BERDIN, G
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sioux Falls (USHL)
Rail-thin stopper with good instincts had impressive first North American season.
ACQUIRED 157th overall, 2016 **NHL** '22-23

9. LUKE GREEN, D
AGE 19 **TEAM** Sherbrooke (QMJHL)
Right-shot defender has decent offensive tools but needs to clean up his defensive play.
ACQUIRED 79th overall, 2016 **NHL** '20-21

10. ERIK FOLEY, LW
AGE 20 **TEAM** Providence (HE)
Skilled winger jumped from eighth in team scoring as freshman to second as sophomore.
ACQUIRED 78th overall, 2015 **NHL** '20-21

2017 NO. 1 DRAFT PICK

KRISTIAN VESALAINEN

POSITION
Right winger

SELECTED
24th overall

2016-17 TEAM
Frolunda

BEST-CASE SCENARIO
Alex Killorn

SCOUTING REPORT
Vesalainen showed a ton of promise early on but couldn't get results. He's a big puck-protector with skating and skill, he just needs to finish more. He'll play for HPK back in Finland in 2017-18.

EXPANDED ROSTER

GOALIES		2016-17	GP	W	L	OT	GAA	SP
Mikhail Berdin	3/1/98	Sioux Falls (USHL)	31	14	12	4	2.73	.925
Ufa, Russia		*6-2, 163*	*Draft: 157th overall ('16)*					
Eric Comrie	7/6/95	Manitoba (AHL)	51	19	26	6	2.96	.906
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-1, 175*	*Draft: 59th overall ('13)*					
Connor Hellebuyck	5/19/93	Winnipeg	56	26	19	4	2.89	.907
Commerce, Mich.		*6-4, 207*	*Draft: 130th overall ('12)*					
Michael Hutchinson	3/2/90	Winnipeg	28	9	12	3	2.92	.903
Barrie, Ont.		*6-3, 202*	*Free Agent: signed 7/19/13*					
Steve Mason	5/29/88	Philadelphia	58	26	21	8	2.66	.908
Oakville, Ont.		*6-4, 210*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*					

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Dustin Byfuglien	3/27/85	Winnipeg	80	13	39	52	117
Roseau, Minn.		*6-5, 260*	*Trade: Chi 6/24/10*				
Ben Chiarot	5/9/91	Winnipeg	59	2	10	12	33
Hamilton, Ont.		*6-3, 219*	*Draft: 120th overall ('09)*				
Toby Enstrom	11/5/84	Winnipeg	60	1	13	14	42
Nordingra, Sweden		*5-10, 180*	*Draft: 239th overall ('03)*				
Luke Green	1/12/98	SNB/She (QMJHL)	60	5	32	37	56
Halifax, N.S.		*6-1, 188*	*Draft: 79th overall ('16)*				
Jan Kostalek	2/17/95	Manitoba (AHL)	60	2	5	7	20
Prague, Czech.		*6-1, 181*	*Draft: 114th overall ('13)*				
Dmitry Kulikov	10/29/90	Buffalo	47	2	3	5	26
Lipetsk, Russia		*6-1, 204*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Julian Melchiori	12/6/91	Manitoba (AHL)	40	2	6	8	18
Richmond Hill, Ont.		*6-5, 214*	*Draft: 87th overall ('10)*				
Josh Morrissey	3/28/95	Winnipeg	82	6	14	20	38
Calgary, Alta.		*6-0, 195*	*Draft: 13th overall ('13)*				
Tyler Myers	2/1/90	Winnipeg	11	2	3	5	13
Houston, Texas		*6-8, 229*	*Trade: Buf 2/11/15*				
Sami Niku	10/10/96	JYP (Fin)	59	5	22	27	26
Haapavesi, Finland		*6-1, 176*	*Draft: 198th overall ('15)*				
Nelson Nogier	5/27/96	Manitoba (AHL)	60	2	11	13	35
Saskatoon, Sask.		*6-2, 191*	*Draft: 101st overall ('14)*				
Tucker Poolman	6/8/93	North Dakota (NCHC)	38	7	23	30	14
Dubuque, Iowa		*6-2, 199*	*Draft: 127th overall ('13)*				
Dylan Samberg	1/24/99	Hermantown (High-MN)	25	10	18	28	43
Saginaw, Minn.		*6-3, 190*	*Draft: 43rd overall ('17)*				
Cameron Schilling	10/7/88	Rfd/Ont (AHL)	72	8	18	26	49
Carmel, Ind.		*6-2, 182*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Logan Stanley	5/26/98	Windsor (OHL)	35	4	13	17	62
Waterloo, Ont.		*6-7, 228*	*Draft: 18th overall ('16)*				
Jacob Trouba	2/26/94	Winnipeg	60	8	25	33	54
Rochester, Mich.		*6-3, 202*	*Draft: 9th overall ('12)*				

CENTERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Andrew Copp	7/8/94	Winnipeg	64	9	8	17	18
Ann Arbor, Mich.		*6-1, 206*	*Draft: 104th overall ('13)*				
Chase De Leo	10/25/95	Manitoba (AHL)	69	14	18	32	12
La Mirada, Calif.		*5-9, 185*	*Draft: 99th overall ('14)*				
Jansen Harkins	5/23/97	Prince George (WHL)	64	21	51	72	48
Cleveland, Ohio		*6-1, 182*	*Draft: 47th overall ('15)*				
Bryan Little	11/12/87	Winnipeg	59	21	26	47	18
Edmonton, Alta.		*6-0, 191*	*Draft: 12th overall ('06)*				
Adam Lowry	3/29/93	Winnipeg	82	15	14	29	52
St. Louis, Mo.		*6-5, 210*	*Draft: 67th overall ('11)*				
Nic Petan	3/22/95	Winnipeg	54	1	12	13	12
Delta, B.C.		*5-9, 179*	*Draft: 43rd overall ('13)*				
Jack Roslovic	1/29/97	Manitoba (AHL)	65	13	35	48	22
Columbus, Ohio		*6-1, 187*	*Draft: 25th overall ('15)*				
Mark Scheifele	3/15/93	Winnipeg	79	32	50	82	38
Kitchener, Ont.		*6-3, 207*	*Draft: 7th overall ('11)*				
Michael Sgarbossa	7/25/92	Ana/Fla	38	2	7	9	9
Campbellville, Ont.		*6-0, 186*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				

LEFT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Kyle Connor	12/9/96	Manitoba (AHL)	52	25	19	44	14
Clinton Township, Mich.		*6-1, 182*	*Draft: 17th overall ('15)*				
Nikolaj Ehlers	2/14/96	Winnipeg	82	25	39	64	38
Aalborg, Denmark		*6-0, 172*	*Draft: 9th overall ('14)*				
Erik Foley	6/30/97	Providence (HE)	36	15	19	34	26
Norwood, Mass.		*6-0, 185*	*Draft: 78th overall ('15)*				
Brendan Lemieux	3/15/96	Manitoba (AHL)	61	12	7	19	130
Denver, Colo.		*6-1, 210*	*Trade: Buf 2/11/15*				
Shawn Matthias	2/19/88	Winnipeg	45	8	4	12	13
Mississauga, Ont.		*6-4, 231*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/16*				
Mathieu Perreault	1/5/88	Winnipeg	65	13	32	45	30
Drummondville, Que.		*5-10, 188*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/14*				
Brandon Tanev	12/31/91	Winnipeg	51	2	2	4	26
Toronto, Ont.		*6-0, 180*	*Free Agent: signed 3/30/16*				
Kristian Vesalainen	6/1/99	Frolunda (Swe)	26	1	5	6	2
Helsinki, Finland		*6-3, 207*	*Draft: 24th overall ('17)*				

RIGHT WINGERS		2016-17	GP	G	A	Pts	PIM
Joel Armia	5/31/93	Winnipeg	57	10	9	19	20
Pori, Finland		*6-3, 205*	*Trade: Buf 2/11/15*				
Marko Dano	11/30/94	Winnipeg	38	4	7	11	10
Eisenstadt, Austria		*5-11, 212*	*Trade: Chi 2/25/16*				
Patrik Laine	4/19/98	Winnipeg	73	36	28	64	26
Tampere, Finland		*6-5, 206*	*Draft: 2nd overall ('16)*				
JC Lipon	7/10/93	Manitoba (AHL)	71	12	18	30	129
Regina, Sask.		*6-0, 183*	*Draft: 91st overall ('13)*				
Buddy Robinson	9/30/91	Bing/SJ (AHL)	66	17	14	31	71
Bellmawr, N.J.		*6-6, 232*	*Free Agent: signed 7/1/17*				
Blake Wheeler	8/31/86	Winnipeg	82	26	48	74	47
Plymouth, Minn.		*6-5, 225*	*Trade: Bos 2/18/11*				

*Positions in roster and Future Watch may be different from depth chart due to team needs

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2016-17 EXTENDED STATS

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM	PP	SH	GW	S	SP	EXTENDED STATS ESP	PPP	FW	FL	F%	TIME ON ICE PP	SH	TOTAL	2017 PLAYOFFS GP	G	A	PTS.	+/-	PIM
55	Mark Scheifele	79	32	50	82	18	38	7	0	5	160	20.0	65	15	635	826	43.5	3:05	0:42	20:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
26	Blake Wheeler	82	26	48	74	6	47	5	2	4	259	10.0	50	21	43	51	45.7	2:56	1:23	20:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
29	*Patrik Laine	73	36	28	64	7	26	9	0	5	204	17.6	50	14	0	3	0.0	2:43	0:01	17:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
27	Nikolaj Ehlers	82	25	39	64	1	38	5	0	4	204	12.3	52	12	0	4	0.0	2:36	0:01	17:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
33	Dustin Byfuglien	80	13	39	52	10	117	1	0	1	241	5.4	36	14	—	—	—	3:18	2:20	27:26	—	—	—	—	—	—
18	Bryan Little	59	21	26	47	-7	18	6	0	3	119	17.6	35	12	610	487	55.6	2:14	1:08	17:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
85	Mathieu Perreault	65	13	32	45	-11	30	3	0	3	134	9.7	30	15	97	92	51.3	2:38	0:01	16:17	—	—	—	—	—	—
8	Jacob Trouba	60	8	25	33	4	54	2	0	1	154	5.2	28	4	—	—	—	1:40	2:59	24:57	—	—	—	—	—	—
17	Adam Lowry	82	15	14	29	1	52	5	0	1	122	12.3	19	9	658	637	50.8	1:43	2:14	16:02	—	—	—	—	—	—
44	*Josh Morrissey	82	6	14	20	6	38	1	0	3	99	6.1	19	1	—	—	—	0:37	0:52	19:29	—	—	—	—	—	—
40	Joel Armia	57	10	9	19	-8	20	0	4	1	111	9.0	13	2	3	4	42.9	0:52	1:50	15:08	—	—	—	—	—	—
9	Andrew Copp	64	9	8	17	8	18	0	1	1	77	11.7	16	0	95	97	49.5	0:08	1:27	12:20	—	—	—	—	—	—
39	Toby Enstrom	60	1	13	14	-7	42	0	1	0	46	2.2	7	6	—	—	—	1:27	2:59	21:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
4	Paul Postma	65	1	13	14	3	15	0	0	0	50	2.0	14	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:01	10:51	—	—	—	—	—	—
19	Nic Petan	54	1	12	13	-13	12	0	0	0	57	1.8	5	8	145	170	46.0	2:07	0:04	10:54	—	—	—	—	—	—
16	Shawn Matthias	45	8	4	12	0	13	0	1	1	51	15.7	11	0	5	11	31.3	0:03	1:29	13:33	—	—	—	—	—	—
7	Ben Chiarot	59	2	10	12	2	33	0	0	0	49	4.1	12	0	—	—	—	0:01	1:58	15:19	—	—	—	—	—	—
56	Marko Dano	38	4	7	11	0	10	2	0	0	44	9.1	9	2	1	3	25.0	1:21	0:02	10:41	—	—	—	—	—	—
57	Tyler Myers	11	2	3	5	5	13	0	0	0	16	12.5	4	0	—	—	—	1:41	2:57	22:12	—	—	—	—	—	—
81	*Kyle Connor	20	2	3	5	-7	4	0	0	1	24	8.3	3	2	1	1	50.0	1:23	0:00	12:13	—	—	—	—	—	—
22	Chris Thorburn	64	3	1	4	-7	95	0	1	0	36	8.3	3	0	13	13	50.0	0:01	0:37	6:58	—	—	—	—	—	—
5	Mark Stuart	42	2	2	4	4	27	0	0	1	24	8.3	4	0	—	—	—	0:00	2:16	12:27	—	—	—	—	—	—
13	*Brandon Tanev	51	2	2	4	-6	26	0	0	1	54	3.7	4	0	1	0	100.0	0:00	1:40	10:40	—	—	—	—	—	—
47	Brian Strait	5	0	2	2	-1	0	0	0	0	3	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:11	0:18	15:55	—	—	—	—	—	—
71	*Julian Melchiori	18	0	2	2	0	8	0	0	0	15	0.0	2	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:47	18:22	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	*Eric Comrie	1	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
52	*Jack Roslovic	1	0	0	0	-1	0	0	0	0	1	0.0	0	0	1	5	16.7	0:00	0:00	8:24	—	—	—	—	—	—
21	Quinton Howden	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	5	0.0	0	0	0	2	0.0	0:11	0:00	8:39	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ondrej Pavelec	8	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
62	*Nelson Nogier	10	0	0	0	-1	5	0	0	0	8	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	0:01	0:00	11:42	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Michael Hutchinson	28	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
37	Connor Hellebuyck	56	0	0	0	—	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

NO.	PLAYER	GPI	Min.	GAA	W	L	OT	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP	2017 PLAYOFFS G	A	PIM	GP	Min.	GAA	W	L	EN	SO	GA	SA	SP
37	Connor Hellebuyck	56	3,034	2.89	26	19	4	9	4	146	1,572	.907	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
34	Michael Hutchinso	28	1,378	2.92	9	12	3	2	1	67	690	.903	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
31	Ondrej Pavelec	8	440	3.55	4	4	0	1	0	26	233	.888	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
1	*Eric Comrie	1	59	4.07	1	0	0	0	0	4	39	.897	0	0	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

** indicates 2016-17 rookie*

2017-18 SCHEDULE

1. Wed. Oct. 4 . . . . . Tor
2. Sat. Oct. 7 . . . . . at Cgy
3. Mon. Oct. 9 . . . . . at Edm
4. Thu. Oct. 12 . . . . . at Van
5. Sat. Oct. 14 . . . . . Car
6. Tue. Oct. 17 . . . . . Clb
7. Fri. Oct. 20 . . . . . Min
8. Thu. Oct. 26 . . . . . at Pit
9. Fri. Oct. 27 . . . . . at Clb
10. Sun. Oct. 29 . . . . . Pit
11. Tue. Oct. 31 . . . . . at Min
12. Thu. Nov. 2 . . . . . Dal
13. Sat. Nov. 4 . . . . . Mtl
14. Mon. Nov. 6 . . . . . at Dal
15. Fri. Nov. 10 . . . . . at Veg
16. Sat. Nov. 11 . . . . . at Ari
17. Tue. Nov. 14 . . . . . Ari
18. Thu. Nov. 16 . . . . . Phi
19. Sat. Nov. 18 . . . . . NJ
20. Mon. Nov. 20 . . . . at Nsh
21. Wed. Nov. 22 . . . . . at LA
22. Fri. Nov. 24 . . . . . at Ana
23. Sat. Nov. 25 . . . . . at SJ
24. Mon. Nov. 27 . . . . . Min
25. Wed. Nov. 29 . . . . . at Col
26. Fri. Dec. 1 . . . . . Veg
27. Sun. Dec. 3 . . . . . Ott
28. Tue. Dec. 5 . . . . . at Det
29. Thu. Dec. 7 . . . . . at Fla
30. Sat. Dec. 9 . . . . . at TB
31. Mon. Dec. 11 . . . . . Van
32. Thu. Dec. 14 . . . . . Chi
33. Sat. Dec. 16 . . . . . at StL
34. Sun. Dec. 17 . . . . . StL
35. Tue. Dec. 19 . . . . . at Nsh
36. Thu. Dec. 21 . . . . . at Bos
37. Sat. Dec. 23 . . . . . at NYI
38. Wed. Dec. 27 . . . . . Edm
39. Fri. Dec. 29 . . . . . NYI
40. Sun. Dec. 31 . . . . . at Edm
41. Tue. Jan. 2 . . . . . at Col
42. Fri. Jan. 5 . . . . . Buf
43. Sun. Jan. 7 . . . . . SJ
44. Tue. Jan. 9 . . . . . at Buf
45. Fri. Jan. 12 . . . . . at Chi
46. Sat. Jan. 13 . . . . . at Min
47. Sat. Jan. 20 . . . . . at Cgy
48. Sun. Jan. 21 . . . . . Van
49. Tue. Jan. 23 . . . . . at SJ
50. Thu. Jan. 25 . . . . . at Ana
51. Tue. Jan. 30 . . . . . TB
52. Thu. Feb. 1 . . . . . Veg
53. Sat. Feb. 3 . . . . . Col
54. Tue. Feb. 6 . . . . . Ari
55. Fri. Feb. 9 . . . . . StL
56. Sun. Feb. 11 . . . . . NYR
57. Tue. Feb. 13 . . . . . Wsh
58. Fri. Feb. 16 . . . . . Col
59. Sun. Feb. 18 . . . . . Fla
60. Tue. Feb. 20 . . . . . LA
61. Fri. Feb. 23 . . . . . at StL
62. Sat. Feb. 24 . . . . . at Dal
63. Tue. Feb. 27 . . . . . Nsh
64. Fri. Mar. 2 . . . . . Det
65. Sun. Mar. 4 . . . . . at Car
66. Tue. Mar. 6 . . . . . at NYR
67. Thu. Mar. 8 . . . . . at NJ
68. Sat. Mar. 10 . . . . . at Phi
69. Mon. Mar. 12 . . . . . at Wsh
70. Tue. Mar. 13 . . . . . at Nsh
71. Thu. Mar. 15 . . . . . Chi
72. Sun. Mar. 18 . . . . . Dal
73. Tue. Mar. 20 . . . . . LA
74. Fri. Mar. 23 . . . . . Ana
75. Sun. Mar. 25 . . . . . Nsh
76. Tue. Mar. 27 . . . . . Bos
77. Thu. Mar. 29 . . . . . at Chi
78. Sat. Mar. 31 . . . . . at Tor
79. Mon. Apr. 2 . . . . . at Ott
80. Tue. Apr. 3 . . . . . at Mtl
81. Thu. Apr. 5 . . . . . Cgy
82. Sat. Apr. 7 . . . . . Chi

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2016-17 FINAL STANDINGS

Total NHL Games: 1,230 Total NHL Goals: 6,804 NHL avg. Goals/Game: 5.53

EASTERN CONFERENCE

		OVERALL										HOME							ROAD						
		GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	GF	GA	P	Pct.	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
1.	Washington	82	55	19	3	5	53	263	182	118	.720	41	32	7	1	1	134	68	66	41	23	12	2	4	129	114	52
2.	Pittsburgh	82	50	21	6	5	46	282	234	111	.677	41	31	6	2	2	158	110	66	41	19	15	4	3	124	124	45
3.	Columbus	82	50	24	6	2	48	249	195	108	.659	41	28	12	1	0	130	87	57	41	22	12	5	2	119	108	51
4.	Montreal	82	47	26	7	2	44	226	200	103	.628	41	24	12	4	1	122	88	53	41	23	14	3	1	104	112	50
5.	NY Rangers	82	48	28	2	4	45	256	221	102	.622	41	21	16	0	4	129	123	46	41	27	12	2	0	127	98	56
6.	Ottawa	82	44	28	6	4	38	212	214	98	.598	41	22	11	6	2	102	97	52	41	22	17	0	2	110	117	46
7.	Boston	82	44	31	4	3	42	234	212	95	.579	41	23	17	0	1	118	100	47	41	21	14	4	2	116	112	48
8.	Toronto	82	40	27	7	8	39	251	242	95	.579	41	21	13	3	4	124	116	49	41	19	14	4	4	127	126	46
9.	NY Islanders	82	41	29	8	4	39	241	242	94	.573	41	22	12	5	2	128	119	51	41	19	17	3	2	113	123	43
10.	Tampa Bay	82	42	30	7	3	38	234	227	94	.573	41	23	14	3	1	128	118	50	41	19	16	4	2	106	109	44
11.	Philadelphia	82	39	33	5	5	32	219	236	88	.537	41	25	11	1	4	123	105	55	41	14	22	4	1	96	131	33
12.	Carolina	82	36	31	9	6	33	215	236	87	.530	41	23	12	4	2	110	107	52	41	13	19	5	4	105	129	35
13.	Florida	82	35	36	5	6	30	210	237	81	.494	41	19	19	1	2	111	120	41	41	16	17	4	4	99	117	40
14.	Detroit	82	33	36	13	0	24	207	244	79	.482	41	17	17	7	0	105	110	41	41	16	19	6	0	102	134	38
15.	Buffalo	82	33	37	6	6	31	201	237	78	.476	41	20	15	3	3	107	111	46	41	13	22	3	3	94	126	32
16.	New Jersey	82	28	40	11	3	25	184	244	70	.427	41	16	17	7	1	95	121	40	41	12	23	4	2	89	123	30

WESTERN CONFERENCE

		OVERALL										HOME							ROAD						
		GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	GF	GA	P	Pct.	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
1.	Chicago	82	50	23	8	1	46	244	213	109	.665	41	26	10	4	1	130	97	57	41	24	13	4	0	114	116	52
2.	Minnesota	82	49	25	6	2	46	266	208	106	.646	41	27	12	2	0	139	93	56	41	22	13	4	2	127	115	50
3.	Anaheim	82	46	23	10	3	43	223	200	105	.640	41	29	8	2	2	122	84	62	41	17	15	8	1	101	116	43
4.	Edmonton	82	47	26	4	5	43	247	212	103	.628	41	25	12	1	3	120	100	54	41	22	14	3	2	127	112	49
5.	St. Louis	82	46	29	5	2	44	235	218	99	.604	41	24	12	4	1	124	113	53	41	22	17	1	1	111	105	46
6.	San Jose	82	46	29	6	1	44	221	201	99	.604	41	26	11	3	1	111	90	56	41	20	18	3	0	110	111	43
7.	Calgary	82	45	33	2	2	41	226	221	94	.573	41	24	17	0	0	131	112	48	41	21	16	2	2	95	109	46
8.	Nashville	82	41	29	8	4	39	240	224	94	.573	41	24	9	6	2	131	103	56	41	17	20	2	2	109	121	38
9.	Winnipeg	82	40	35	6	1	37	249	256	87	.530	41	22	18	0	1	131	123	45	41	18	17	6	0	118	133	42
10.	Los Angeles	82	39	35	4	4	37	201	205	86	.524	41	23	16	0	2	115	106	48	41	16	19	4	2	86	99	38
11.	Dallas	82	34	37	9	2	33	223	262	79	.482	41	22	13	5	1	130	118	50	41	12	24	4	1	93	144	29
12.	Arizona	82	30	42	8	2	24	197	260	70	.427	41	18	18	3	2	104	117	41	41	12	24	5	0	93	143	29
13.	Vancouver	82	30	43	7	2	26	182	243	69	.421	41	18	17	6	0	89	115	42	41	12	26	1	2	93	128	27
14.	Colorado	82	22	56	2	2	21	166	278	48	.293	41	13	26	1	1	96	136	28	41	9	30	1	1	70	142	20

LEADING SCORERS

		GP	G	A	Pts
1.	Connor McDavid, Edm	82	30	70	100
2.	Sidney Crosby, Pit	75	44	45	89
3.	Patrick Kane, Chi	82	34	55	89
4.	Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh	82	23	63	86
5.	Nikita Kucherov, TB	74	40	45	85
6.	Brad Marchand, Bos	80	39	46	85
7.	Mark Scheifele, Wpg	79	32	50	82
8.	Leon Draisaitl, Edm	82	29	48	77
9.	Brent Burns, SJ	82	29	47	76
10.	Vladimir Tarasenko, StL	82	39	36	75
11.	Artemi Panarin, Chi	82	31	43	74
12.	Blake Wheeler, Wpg	82	26	48	74
13.	Ryan Getzlaf, Ana	74	15	58	73
14.	Evgeni Malkin, Pit	62	33	39	72
15.	Tyler Seguin, Dal	82	26	46	72

DEFENSEMEN

		GP	G	A	Pts
1.	Brent Burns, SJ	82	29	47	76
2.	Victor Hedman, TB	79	16	56	72
3.	Erik Karlsson, Ott	77	17	54	71
4.	K. Shattenkirk, StL/Wsh	80	13	43	56
5.	Duncan Keith, Chi	80	6	47	53
6.	Dustin Byfuglien, Wpg	80	13	39	52
7.	Justin Schultz, Pit	78	12	39	51
8.	Torey Krug, Bos	81	8	43	51
9.	Dougie Hamilton, Cgy	81	13	37	50
10.	John Klingberg, Dal	80	13	36	49
11.	Roman Josi, Nsh	72	12	37	49
12.	Alex Pietrangelo, StL	80	14	34	48
13.	*Zach Werenski, Clb	78	11	36	47
14.	Nick Leddy, NYI	81	11	35	46
15.	Rasmus Ristolainen, Buf	79	6	39	45

ROOKIES

		GP	G	A	Pts
1.	Auston Matthews, Tor	82	40	29	69
2.	Patrik Laine, Wpg	73	36	28	64
3.	William Nylander, Tor	81	22	39	61
4.	Mitchell Marner, Tor	77	19	42	61
5.	Sebastian Aho, Car	82	24	25	49
6.	Matthew Tkachuk, Cgy	76	13	35	48
7.	Zach Werenski, Clb	78	11	36	47
8.	Brayden Point, TB	68	18	22	40
9.	Brady Skjei, NYR	80	5	34	39
10.	Mikko Rantanen, Col	75	20	18	38
11.	Connor Brown, Tor	82	20	16	36
12.	Anthony Mantha, Det	60	17	19	36
13.	Nikita Zaitsev, Tor	82	4	32	36
14.	Jake Guentzel, Pit	40	16	17	33
15.	Christian Dvorak, Ari	78	15	18	33

TEAM PENALTIES

		PIM	BMI	Avg.
1.	Carolina	476	26	5.8
2.	Chicago	584	18	7.1
3.	NY Rangers	593	14	7.2
4.	San Jose	642	20	7.8
5.	NY Islanders	648	10	7.9
6.	Vancouver	648	10	7.9
7.	Minnesota	669	16	8.2
8.	Pittsburgh	703	18	8.6
9.	Columbus	714	8	8.7
10.	Detroit	718	16	8.8
11.	St. Louis	734	28	9.0
12.	Edmonton	738	14	9.0
13.	Buffalo	741	16	9.0
14.	Washington	750	12	9.1
15.	Los Angeles	754	18	9.2
16.	Montreal	759	12	9.3
17.	Colorado	767	20	9.4
18.	Toronto	799	18	9.7
19.	Arizona	809	14	9.9
20.	Dallas	810	20	9.9
21.	Florida	813	16	9.9
22.	New Jersey	817	14	10.0
23.	Boston	831	14	10.1
24.	Nashville	833	14	10.2
25.	Winnipeg	835	18	10.2
26.	Philadelphia	844	18	10.3
27.	Ottawa	848	24	10.3
28.	Tampa Bay	875	18	10.7
29.	Anaheim	934	10	11.4
30.	Calgary	956	16	11.7

BMI: Bench penalty minutes
NHL PIM: 23,132

PENALTY KILL

		PPGA	SH	Pct.
1.	Boston	38	265	85.7
2.	Florida	36	245	85.3
3.	St. Louis	40	263	84.8
4.	Anaheim	43	281	84.7
5.	Los Angeles	38	246	84.6
6.	Carolina	32	202	84.2
7.	Washington	44	272	83.8
8.	Minnesota	37	217	82.9
9.	Toronto	44	251	82.5
10.	Columbus	39	223	82.5
11.	NY Islanders	41	227	81.9
12.	Calgary	51	277	81.6
13.	Tampa Bay	48	258	81.4
14.	Montreal	47	249	81.1
15.	Detroit	45	235	80.9
16.	Nashville	46	241	80.9
17.	Edmonton	43	223	80.7
18.	San Jose	41	212	80.7
19.	NY Rangers	45	223	79.8
20.	Pittsburgh	52	257	79.8
21.	Philadelphia	50	247	79.8
22.	Ottawa	50	246	79.7
23.	New Jersey	53	260	79.6
24.	Chicago	47	211	77.7
25.	Buffalo	53	237	77.6
26.	Winnipeg	62	275	77.5
27.	Arizona	59	260	77.3
28.	Vancouver	52	223	76.7
29.	Colorado	64	274	76.6
30.	Dallas	65	249	73.9

SH: Shorthanded situations
PPGA: Power play goals allowed
NHL Total SH: 7,349 **NHL PP Kills:** 5,944

POWER PLAY

		PPG	Adv.	Pct.
1.	Buffalo	57	233	24.5
2.	Toronto	58	244	23.8
3.	Pittsburgh	60	260	23.1
4.	Washington	57	247	23.1
5.	Edmonton	56	245	22.9
6.	Tampa Bay	62	272	22.8
7.	Boston	53	244	21.7
8.	St. Louis	50	235	21.3
9.	Minnesota	47	224	21.0
10.	Calgary	52	257	20.2
11.	NY Rangers	47	233	20.2
12.	Columbus	42	211	19.9
13.	Montreal	45	229	19.7
14.	Philadelphia	54	277	19.5
15.	Los Angeles	46	241	19.1
16.	Nashville	49	259	18.9
17.	Anaheim	47	251	18.7
18.	Winnipeg	48	264	18.2
19.	Chicago	42	233	18.0
20.	Dallas	46	257	17.9
21.	Carolina	41	231	17.7
22.	New Jersey	44	251	17.5
23.	Ottawa	43	253	17.0
24.	Florida	45	265	17.0
25.	San Jose	41	246	16.7
26.	Arizona	38	235	16.2
27.	Detroit	38	252	15.1
28.	NY Islanders	35	234	15.0
29.	Vancouver	32	227	14.1
30.	Colorado	30	239	12.6

Adv.: Advantages
PPG: Power play goals
NHL PP: 7,349 **NHL PP goals:** 1,405

OVERALL STANDINGS

		GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	P
1.	Washington	82	55	19	3	5	53	118
2.	Pittsburgh	82	50	21	6	5	46	111
3.	Chicago	82	50	23	8	1	46	109
4.	Columbus	82	50	24	6	2	48	108
5.	Minnesota	82	49	25	6	2	46	106
6.	Anaheim	82	46	23	10	3	43	105
7.	Montreal	82	47	26	7	2	44	103
8.	Edmonton	82	47	26	4	5	43	103
9.	NY Rangers	82	48	28	2	4	45	102
10.	St. Louis	82	46	29	5	2	44	99
11.	San Jose	82	46	29	6	1	44	99
12.	Ottawa	82	44	28	6	4	38	98
13.	Boston	82	44	31	4	3	42	95
14.	Toronto	82	40	27	7	8	39	95
15.	Calgary	82	45	33	2	2	41	94
16.	Nashville	82	41	29	8	4	39	94
17.	NY Islanders	82	41	29	8	4	39	94
18.	Tampa Bay	82	42	30	7	3	38	94
19.	Philadelphia	82	39	33	5	5	32	88
20.	Winnipeg	82	40	35	6	1	37	87
21.	Carolina	82	36	31	9	6	33	87
22.	Los Angeles	82	39	35	4	4	37	86
23.	Florida	82	35	36	5	6	30	81
24.	Dallas	82	34	37	9	2	33	79
25.	Detroit	82	33	36	13	0	24	79
26.	Buffalo	82	33	37	6	6	31	78
27.	New Jersey	82	28	40	11	3	25	70
28.	Arizona	82	30	42	8	2	24	70
29.	Vancouver	82	30	43	7	2	26	69
30.	Colorado	82	22	56	2	2	21	48

DIVISION STANDINGS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	P
Montreal	82	47	26	7	2	44	103
Ottawa	82	44	28	6	4	38	98
Boston	82	44	31	4	3	42	95
Toronto	82	40	27	7	8	39	95
Tampa Bay	82	42	30	7	3	38	94
Florida	82	35	36	5	6	30	81
Detroit	82	33	36	13	0	24	79
Buffalo	82	33	37	6	6	31	78

METROPOLITAN	GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	P
Washington	82	55	19	3	5	53	118
Pittsburgh	82	50	21	6	5	46	111
Columbus	82	50	24	6	2	48	108
NY Rangers	82	48	28	2	4	45	102
NY Islanders	82	41	29	8	4	39	94
Philadelphia	82	39	33	5	5	32	88
Carolina	82	36	31	9	6	33	87
New Jersey	82	28	40	11	3	25	70

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	P
Chicago	82	50	23	8	1	46	109
Minnesota	82	49	25	6	2	46	106
St. Louis	82	46	29	5	2	44	99
Nashville	82	41	29	8	4	39	94
Winnipeg	82	40	35	6	1	37	87
Dallas	82	34	37	9	2	33	79
Colorado	82	22	56	2	2	21	48

PACIFIC	GP	W	L	OL	SL	ROW	P
Anaheim	82	46	23	10	3	43	105
Edmonton	82	47	26	4	5	43	103
San Jose	82	46	29	6	1	44	99
Calgary	82	45	33	2	2	41	94
Los Angeles	82	39	35	4	4	37	86
Arizona	82	30	42	8	2	24	70
Vancouver	82	30	43	7	2	26	69

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

	Team	2015-16	2016-17
1.	Chicago	21,860	21,752
2.	Montreal	21,288	21,288
3.	Detroit	20,027	20,027
4.	Pittsburgh	18,551	19,763
5.	Toronto	19,158	19,752
6.	Philadelphia	19,227	19,630
7.	St. Louis	18,451	19,540
8.	Tampa Bay	19,092	19,092
9.	Minnesota	19,827	19,069
10.	Calgary	19,146	18,727
11.	Buffalo	18,591	18,592
12.	Vancouver	18,431	18,510
13.	Washington	18,511	18,506
14.	Edmonton	16,841	18,347
15.	Los Angeles	18,274	18,240
16.	Dallas	18,377	18,102
17.	NY Rangers	18,006	18,020
18.	Boston	18,777	17,565
19.	San Jose	16,747	17,508
20.	Nashville	16,971	17,160
21.	Ottawa	18,085	16,745
22.	Anaheim	16,337	15,942
23.	Columbus	14,666	15,857
24.	Winnipeg	15,294	15,732
25.	Colorado	17,032	14,835
26.	Florida	15,384	14,621
27.	New Jersey	15,074	14,567
28.	NY Islanders	13,627	13,101
29.	Arizona	13,350	13,095
30.	Carolina	12,204	11,776

(including Centennial, Winter and NHL 100 Classic and Stadium Series games)

EVEN-STRENGTH POINTS

	GP	G	A	P
1. Connor McDavid, Edm	82	26	45	71
2. Patrick Kane, Chi	82	27	39	66
3. Mark Scheifele, Wpg	79	25	40	65
4. Sidney Crosby, Pit	75	30	34	64
5. Artemi Panarin, Chi	82	22	35	57
6. Brad Marchand, Bos	80	27	29	56
7. Henrik Zetterberg, Det	82	15	40	55
8. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL	82	30	23	53
9. Nikita Kucherov, TB	74	23	30	53
10. Max Pacioretty, Mtl	81	26	26	52
11. Nikolaj Ehlers, Wpg	82	20	32	52
12. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh	82	15	36	51
13. *Patrik Laine, Wpg	73	27	23	50
14. Brandon Saad, Clb	82	23	27	50
15. Brent Burns, SJ	82	21	29	50
16. Leon Draisaitl, Edm	82	19	31	50
17. Blake Wheeler, Wpg	82	19	31	50
18. Ryan Getzlaf, Ana	74	7	43	50
19. Evgeni Malkin, Pit	62	22	27	49
20. *Auston Matthews, Tor	82	32	16	48
21. Jeff Skinner, Car	79	30	18	48
22. Conor Sheary, Pit	61	21	27	48
23. Eric Staal, Min	82	23	24	47
24. Charlie Coyle, Min	82	14	33	47
25. Filip Forsberg, Nsh	82	25	21	46

POWER PLAY POINTS

	GP	G	A	P
1. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh	82	8	27	35
2. Victor Hedman, TB	79	4	29	33
3. Nikita Kucherov, TB	74	17	15	32
4. Claude Giroux, Phi	82	5	26	31
5. Phil Kessel, Pit	82	8	22	30
6. Tyler Seguin, Dal	82	11	18	29
7. Brayden Schenn, Phi	79	17	11	28
8. Leon Draisaitl, Edm	82	10	17	27
9. K. Shattenkirk, StL/Wsh	80	8	19	27
10. Erik Karlsson, Ott	77	4	23	27
11. Connor McDavid, Edm	82	3	24	27
12. Alex Ovechkin, Wsh	82	17	9	26
13. Mike Hoffman, Ott	74	13	13	26
14. Jamie Benn, Dal	77	12	14	26
15. Jonathan Drouin, TB	73	9	17	26
16. *William Nylander, Tor	81	9	17	26
17. Wayne Simmonds, Phi	82	16	9	25
18. Sidney Crosby, Pit	75	14	11	25
19. Milan Lucic, Edm	82	12	13	25
20. Brent Burns, SJ	82	8	17	25
21. Torey Krug, Bos	81	6	19	25
22. Rasmus Ristolainen, Buf	79	1	24	25
23. Jack Eichel, Buf	61	10	14	24
24. David Pastrnak, Bos	75	10	14	24
25. Brad Marchand, Bos	80	9	15	24

PCT. OF HIS TEAM'S GOALS

	GP	G	TG	PCT.
1. *Auston Matthews, Tor	82	40	192	20.8
2. Jeff Skinner, Car	79	37	196	18.9
3. Sidney Crosby, Pit	75	44	241	18.3
4. Nikita Kucherov, TB	74	40	224	17.9
5. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL	82	39	219	17.8
6. *Patrik Laine, Wpg	73	36	212	17.0
7. Nazem Kadri, Tor	82	32	192	16.7
8. Brad Marchand, Bos	80	39	236	16.5
9. Cam Atkinson, Clb	82	35	213	16.4
10. Max Pacioretty, Mtl	81	35	216	16.2
11. Rickard Rakell, Ana	71	33	215	15.3
12. J. van Riemsdyk, Tor	82	29	192	15.1
13. Mark Scheifele, Wpg	79	32	212	15.1
14. Connor McDavid, Edm	82	30	199	15.1
15. Anders Lee, NYI	81	34	227	15.0
16. Wayne Simmonds, Phi	82	31	211	14.7
17. Leon Draisaitl, Edm	82	29	199	14.6
18. Patrick Kane, Chi	82	34	234	14.5
19. David Pastrnak, Bos	75	34	236	14.4
20. Jeff Carter, LA	82	32	223	14.3
21. Kyle Palmieri, NJ	80	26	182	14.3
22. Evander Kane, Buf	70	28	199	14.1
23. Filip Forsberg, Nsh	82	31	224	13.8
24. Viktor Arvidsson, Nsh	80	31	224	13.8
25. Evgeni Malkin, Pit	62	33	241	13.7

INVOLVED IN HIS TEAM'S GOALS

	GP	PTS	TG	PCT.
1. Connor McDavid, Edm	82	100	199	50.3
2. Leon Draisaitl, Edm	82	77	199	38.7
3. Mark Scheifele, Wpg	79	82	212	38.7
4. Patrick Kane, Chi	82	89	234	38.0
5. Nikita Kucherov, TB	74	85	224	37.9
6. Sidney Crosby, Pit	75	89	241	36.9
7. Brad Marchand, Bos	80	85	236	36.0
8. *Auston Matthews, Tor	82	69	192	35.9
9. Blake Wheeler, Wpg	82	74	212	34.9
10. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh	82	86	248	34.7
11. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL	82	75	219	34.2
12. Ryan Getzlaf, Ana	74	73	215	34.0
13. Henrik Zetterberg, Det	82	68	209	32.5
14. Mikael Granlund, Min	81	69	213	32.4
15. J. van Riemsdyk, Tor	82	62	192	32.3
16. Jeff Skinner, Car	79	63	196	32.1
17. Victor Hedman, TB	79	72	224	32.1
18. Brent Burns, SJ	82	76	237	32.1
19. Nazem Kadri, Tor	82	61	192	31.8
20. *William Nylander, Tor	81	61	192	31.8
21. *Mitchell Marner, Tor	77	61	192	31.8
22. Artemi Panarin, Chi	82	74	234	31.6
23. Max Pacioretty, Mtl	81	67	216	31.0
24. Erik Karlsson, Ott	77	71	230	30.9
25. Eric Staal, Min	82	65	213	30.5

MULTI-POINT GAMES

	No.
1. Connor McDavid, Edm	30
2. Sidney Crosby, Pit	26
3. Patrick Kane, Chi	24
4. Nikita Kucherov, TB	23
5. Evgeni Malkin, Pit	21
6. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh	21
7. Mark Scheifele, Wpg	21
8. Brent Burns, SJ	21
9. *Patrik Laine, Wpg	20
10. Jeff Carter, LA	19
11. Henrik Zetterberg, Det	19
12. Leon Draisaitl, Edm	19
13. Brad Marchand, Bos	19
14. Tyler Seguin, Dal	19
15. Victor Hedman, TB	19
16. Erik Karlsson, Ott	18
17. David Pastrnak, Bos	18
18. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL	18
19. Ryan Johansen, Nsh	18
20. Artemi Panarin, Chi	18
21. Phil Kessel, Pit	17
22. *Auston Matthews, Tor	17
23. Alex Ovechkin, Wsh	17
24. T.J. Oshie, Wsh	17
25. Max Pacioretty, Mtl	17

Games in which players registered more then one point.

SAVE PERCENTAGE

	GP	ES	PK	OVERALL
1. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb	63	.938	.891	.931
2. Jimmy Howard, Det	26	.927	.925	.927
3. Craig Anderson, Ott	40	.941	.838	.926
4. Braden Holtby, Wsh	63	.935	.848	.925
5. John Gibson, Ana	52	.928	.909	.924
6. Scott Darling, Chi	32	.932	.882	.924
7. Devan Dubnyk, Min	65	.929	.885	.923
8. *Matt Murray, Pit	49	.932	.879	.923
9. Carey Price, Mtl	62	.935	.867	.923
10. Anders Nilsson, Buf	26	.933	.873	.923
11. Antti Raanta, NYR	30	.934	.839	.922
12. Robin Lehner, Buf	59	.925	.891	.920
13. James Reimer, Fla	43	.929	.873	.920
14. Cam Talbot, Edm	73	.927	.877	.919
15. Corey Crawford, Chi	55	.928	.863	.918
16. Pekka Rinne, Nsh	61	.927	.867	.918
17. Frederik Andersen, Tor	66	.922	.894	.918
18. Andrei Vasilevskiy, TB	50	.922	.895	.917
19. Keith Kinkaid, NJ	26	.929	.874	.916
20. Jonathan Bernier, Ana	39	.923	.891	.915
21. Jaroslav Halak, NYI	28	.916	.911	.915
22. Peter Budaj, LA/TB	60	.924	.865	.915
23. Tuukka Rask, Bos	65	.919	.888	.915
24. Jake Allen, StL	61	.919	.900	.915
25. Roberto Luongo, Fla	40	.912	.924	.915

ES: Even Strength Sv%; PK: Sv% while in penalty killing
OVERALL: Total Sv%; Minimum 25 GP

GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE

	GP	GAA
1. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb	63	2.06
2. Braden Holtby, Wsh	63	2.07
3. Jimmy Howard, Det	26	2.10
4. Peter Budaj, LA/TB	60	2.18
5. John Gibson, Ana	52	2.22
6. Carey Price, Mtl	62	2.23
7. Tuukka Rask, Bos	65	2.23
8. Devan Dubnyk, Min	65	2.25
9. Antti Raanta, NYR	30	2.26
10. Craig Anderson, Ott	40	2.28
11. Scott Darling, Chi	32	2.38
12. Carter Hutton, StL	30	2.39
13. Cam Talbot, Edm	73	2.39
14. Martin Jones, SJ	65	2.40
15. *Matt Murray, Pit	49	2.41
16. Pekka Rinne, Nsh	61	2.42
17. Jake Allen, StL	61	2.42
18. Mike Condon, Pit/Ott	41	2.48
19. Jonathan Bernier, Ana	39	2.50
20. James Reimer, Fla	43	2.53
21. Ben Bishop, TB/LA	39	2.54
22. Corey Crawford, Chi	55	2.55
23. Brian Elliott, Cgy	49	2.55
24. Chad Johnson, Cgy	36	2.59
25. Andrei Vasilevskiy, TB	50	2.61

Minimum 25 GP

SHOTS AGAINST PER 60 MINUTES

	GP	SA/60
1. Anders Nilsson, Buf	26	34.65
2. Mike Smith, Ari	55	34.08
3. Robin Lehner, Buf	59	33.66
4. Marc-Andre Fleury, Pit	38	33.35
5. Louis Domingue, Ari	31	33.32
6. Jaroslav Halak, NYI	28	33.08
7. Ryan Miller, Van	54	32.45
8. Frederik Andersen, Tor	66	32.41
9. Keith Kinkaid, NJ	26	31.63
10. James Reimer, Fla	43	31.54
11. *Matt Murray, Pit	49	31.45
12. Roberto Luongo, Fla	40	31.38
13. Andrei Vasilevskiy, TB	50	31.37
14. Corey Crawford, Chi	55	31.25
15. Scott Darling, Chi	32	31.15
16. Connor Hellebuyck, Wpg	56	31.09
17. Calvin Pickard, Col	50	31.09
18. Thomas Greiss, NYI	51	30.99
19. Craig Anderson, Ott	40	30.90
20. Cory Schneider, NJ	60	30.77
21. Petr Mrazek, Det	50	30.69
22. Henrik Lundqvist, NYR	57	30.56
23. Antti Niemi, Dal	37	30.54
24. Michael Hutchinson, Wpg	28	30.04
25. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb	63	30.01

Minimum 25 GP

AWARD WINNERS & ALL-STARS

NHL Awards

Hart Trophy (Most Valuable Player)
Connor McDavid, Edmonton
Ted Lindsay Award (MVP voted by players)
Connor McDavid, Edmonton
Art Ross Trophy (Top scorer)
Connor McDavid, Edmonton
Maurice Richard Trophy (Top goal-scorer)
Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh
Calder Trophy (Rookie of the year)
Auston Matthews, Toronto
Norris Trophy (Outstanding defenseman)
Brent Burns, San Jose
Vezina Trophy (Outstanding goaltender)
Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb
Lady Byng Trophy (Most sportsmanlike)
Johnny Gaudreau, Calgary
Selke Trophy (Best defensive forward)
Patrice Bergeron, Boston
Jack Adams Award (Coach of the year)
John Tortorella, Clb
Jennings Trophy (Lowest GAA)
Braden Holtby, Washington
Conn Smythe Trophy (Playoff MVP)
Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh
Masterton Trophy (Perseverance)
Craig Anderson, Ottawa
King Clancy Trophy (Humanitarian)
Nick Foligno, Columbus

FIRST-TEAM ALL-STARS

C Connor McDavid, Edmonton
LW Brad Marchand, Boston
RW Patrick Kane, Chicago
D Brent Burns, San Jose
D Erik Karlsson, Ottawa
G Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb

SECOND-TEAM ALL-STARS

C Sidney Crosby, Pittsburgh
LW Artemi Panarin, Chicago
RW Nikita Kucherov, Tampa Bay
D Victor Hedman, Tampa Bay
D Duncan Keith, Chicago
G Braden Holtby, Washington

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THE HOCKEY NEWS AWARDS

Most Valuable Player
Connor McDavid, Edmonton
Best Player
Connor McDavid, Edmonton
Best Goaltender
Sergei Bobrovsky, Columbus
Best Defenseman
Erik Karlsson, Ottawa
Best Rookie
Auston Matthews, Toronto
Best Defensive Defenseman
Ryan Suter, Minnesota
Best Penalty Killer
Patrice Bergeron, Boston
Comeback Player
Eric Staal, Minnesota
Toughest Player
Dustin Byfuglien, Winnipeg
Breakout Player
David Pastrnak, Boston
Best Coach
Mike Babcock, Toronto
Best GM
David Poile, Nashville

AWARDS & ALL-STAR VOTING

NHL AWARDS VOTING

HART TROPHY 1. Connor McDavid, Edm 1604 (147-17-3-0-0) 2. Sidney Crosby, Pit 1104 (14-119-19-11-3) 3. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb 469 (4-17-40-29-23) 4. Brent Burns, SJ 273 (1-3-25-29-30) 5. Erik Karlsson, Ott 258 (0-5-28-23-14) 6. Patrick Kane, Chi 206 (0-3-20-20-25) 7. Brad Marchand, Bos 184 (1-1-14-22-31) 8. Nikita Kucherov, TB 119 (0-0-11-15-19) 9. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh 60 (0-0-3-11-12) 10. Braden Holtby, Wsh 19 (0-0-2-3-0).

NORRIS TROPHY 1. Brent Burns, SJ 1437 (96-61-10-0-0) 2. Erik Karlsson, Ott 1292 (63-86-9-4-3) 3. Victor Hedman, TB 728 (3-13-106-21-14) 4. Duncan Keith, Chi 384 (2-4-19-70-31) 5. Ryan Suter, Min 175 (2-1-9-25-28) 6. Shea Weber, Mtl 100 (1-0-6-11-27) 7. Drew Doughty, LA 51 (0-0-1-10-16) 8. Mark Giordano, Cgy 41 (0-0-1-11-3) 9. Dougie Hamilton, Cgy 23 (0-0-0-6-5) 10. Justin Schultz, Pit 22 (0-0-2-2-6).

VEZINA TROPHY 1. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb 138 (25-4-1) 2. Braden Holtby, Wsh 87 (4-21-4) 3. Carey Price, Mtl 19 (0-2-13) 4. Cam Talbot, Edm 17 (1-2-6) 5. Devan Dubnyk, Min 8 (0-1-5) 6. Martin Jones, SJ 1 (0-0-1).

CALDER TROPHY 1. Auston Matthews, Tor 1661 (164-3-0-0-0) 2. Patrik Laine, Wpg 1106 (3-134-24-6-0) 3. Zach Werenski, Clb 711 (0-21-93-28-15) 4. Matt Murray, Pit 346 (0-6-25-52-23) 5. Mitchell Marner, Tor 273 (0-3-14-42-56) 6. William Nylander, Tor 143 (0-0-7-24-36) 7. Matthew Tkachuk, Cgy 72 (0-0-4-11-19) 8. Sebastian Aho, Car 26 (0-0-0-4-14) 9. Ivan Provorov, Phi 2 (0-0-0-0-2) 10. Brayden Point, TB 1 (0-0-0-0-1) Brady Skjei, NYR 1 (0-0-0-0-1).

JACK ADAMS AWARD 1. John Tortorella, Clb 267 (39-19-15) 2. Mike Babcock, Tor 182 (24-15-17) 3. Todd McLellan, Edm 181 (18-24-19) 4. Joel Quenneville, Chi 103 (12-12-7) 5. Barry Trotz, Wsh 63 (6-8-9) 6. Glen Gulutzan, Cgy 49 (2-8-15) 7. Guy Boucher, Ott 44 (1-10-9) 8. Mike Sullivan, Pit 25 (3-2-4) 9. Bruce Boudreau, Min 22 (0-5-7) 10. Jon Cooper, TB 3 (0-1-0) Claude Julien, Mtl 3 (0-1-0).

FRANK SELKE TROPHY 1. Patrice Bergeron, Bos 1147 (71-39-24-11-11) 2. Ryan Kesler, Ana 945 (45-45-25-15-10) 3. Mikko Koivu, Min 752 (28-34-28-28-10) 4. Mikael Backlund, Cgy 310 (3-12-26-16-18) 5. Jonathan Toews, Chi 273 (5-9-17-17-24) 6. Mark Stone, Ott 113 (0-2-7-16-16) 7. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh 111 (1-6-4-9-12) 8. John Tavares, NYI 80 (1-5-2-6-7) 9. Jordan Staal, Car 55 (1-3-2-3-5) 10. Sidney Crosby, Pit 51 (3-1-2-1-1).

LADY BYNG TROPHY 1. Johnny Gaudreau, Cgy 906 (54-33-15-16-12) 2. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL 738 (35-31-25-12-10) 3. Mikael Granlund, Min 445 (12-22-23-16-8) 4. Marian Hossa, Chi 320 (17-13-9-3-5) 5. Oscar Klefbom, Edm 264 (11-8-12-7-17) 6. Auston Matthews, Tor 238 (2-14-12-15-15) 7. Brandon Saad, Clb 211 (1-10-15-12-20) 8. Jason Pominville, Min 127 (4-5-4-9-5) 9. Henrik Zetterberg, Det 119 (5-1-7-8-3) 10. Ryan O'Reilly, Buf 98 (1-2-7-11-6).

NHL ALL-STAR VOTING

GOALTENDER 1. Sergei Bobrovsky, Clb 764 (144-13-5) 2. Braden Holtby, Wsh 431 (15-110-26) 3. Cam Talbot, Edm 109 (1-19-47) 4. Devan Dubnyk, Min 91 (1-13-47) 5. Carey Price, Mtl 59 (1-7-33) 6. John Gibson, Ana 2 (0-0-2) 7. Craig Anderson, OTT 1 (0-0-1) Tuukka Rask, Bos 1 (0-0-1).

DEFENSE 1. Brent Burns, SJ 796 (155-7-0) 2. Erik Karlsson, Ott 760 (141-17-4) 3. Victor Hedman, TB 476 (18-123-17) 4. Duncan Keith, Chi 322 (3-85-52) 5. Ryan Suter, Min 144 (2-27-53) 6. Shea Weber, Mtl 98 (2-16-40) 7. Drew Doughty, LA 60 (0-12-24) 8. Kevin Shattenkirk, Wsh 41 (0-6-23) 9. Mark Giordano, Cgy 38 (0-10-8) 10. Roman Josi, Nsh 35 (1-2-24) .

CENTER 1. Connor McDavid, Edm 762 (141-18-3) 2. Sidney Crosby, Pit 526 (20-142-0) 3. Nicklas Backstrom, Wsh 127 (1-2-116) 4. Mark Scheifele, Wpg 21 (0-0-21) 5. Auston Matthews, Tor 10 (0-0-10) 6. Evgeni Malkin, Pit 4 (0-0-4) 7. John Tavares, NYI 2 (0-0-2) 8. Cam Atkinson, Clb 1 (0-0-1) Patrice Bergeron, Bos 1 (0-0-1) Ryan Getzlaf, Ana 1 (0-0-1) Ryan Kesler, Ana 1 (0-0-1) Brad Marchand, Bos 1 (0-0-1) Jonathan Toews, Chi 1 (0-0-1).

LEFT WING 1. Brad Marchand, Bos 720 (132-18-6) 2. Artemi Panarin, Chi 326 (6-83-47) 3. Alex Ovechkin, Wsh 287 (23-41-49) 4. Max Pacioretty, Mtl 87 (0-15-42) 5. Jamie Benn, Dal 16 (1-2-5) 6. Jeff Skinner, Car 9 (0-2-3) 7. Henrik Zetterberg, Det 7 (0-0-7) 8. Leon Draisaitl, Edm 3 (0-1-0) 9. Johnny Gaudreau, Cgy 2 (0-0-2) 10. Viktor Arvidsson, Nsh 1 (0-0-1).

RIGHT WING 1. Patrick Kane, Chi 669 (103-49-7) 2. Nikita Kucherov, TBL 553 (53-92-12) 3. Vladimir Tarasenko, StL 163 (3-15-103) 4. Leon Draisaitl, Edm 26 (2-1-13) 5. Blake Wheeler, Wpg 15 (1-0-10) 6. Patrik Laine, Wpg 13 (0-3-4) 7. Cam Atkinson, Clb 12 (0-2-6) 8. David Pastrnak, Bos 6 (0-0-6) 9. Mikael Granlund, Min 1 (0-0-1).

2016-17 GOALTENDING STATISTICS

1. Washington

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Philipp Grubauer	24	1265	2.04	13	6	2	3	43	585	.926	1	19	6.32	0	0	.778
Braden Holtby	63	3680	2.07	42	13	6	9	127	1690	.925	13	803	2.47	7	6	.909
Totals	82	4973	2.14	55	19	8	12	177	2282	.922	13	830	2.6	7	6	.904

2. Columbus

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Sergei Bobrovsky	63	3707	2.06	41	17	5	7	127	1854	.931	5	309	3.88	1	4	.882
Curtis McElhinney	7	376	2.39	2	1	2	0	15	198	.924	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joonas Korpisalo	14	791	2.88	7	5	1	1	38	401	.905	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Anton Forsberg	1	59	4.07	0	1	0	0	4	27	.852	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4970	2.33	50	24	8	8	193	2489	.922	5	313	4.03	1	4	.877

3. Anaheim

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Dustin Tokarski	1	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
John Gibson	52	2950	2.22	25	16	9	6	109	1437	.924	16	879	2.59	9	5	.918
Jonathan Bernier	39	1993	2.5	21	7	4	2	83	982	.915	4	183	3.28	1	2	.873
Totals	82	4980	2.37	46	23	13	8	197	2429	.919	17	1069	2.92	10	7	.905

4. Montreal

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Charlie Lindgren	2	122	1.48	2	0	0	0	3	59	.949	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carey Price	62	3708	2.23	37	20	5	3	138	1794	.923	6	387	1.86	2	4	.933
Al Montoya	19	1125	2.67	8	6	4	2	50	569	.912	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4987	2.38	47	26	9	5	198	2429	.918	6	393	2.14	2	4	.923

5. Los Angeles

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Jack Campbell	1	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peter Budaj	53	3029	2.12	27	20	3	7	107	1286	.917	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jonathan Quick	17	931	2.26	8	5	2	2	35	421	.917	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ben Bishop	7	410	2.49	2	3	2	0	17	170	.900	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jeff Zatkoff	13	550	2.95	2	7	1	0	27	223	.879	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4978	2.42	39	35	8	9	201	2120	.905	-	-	-	-	-	-

6. San Jose

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Aaron Dell	20	1111	2	11	6	1	1	37	533	.931	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martin Jones	65	3800	2.4	35	23	6	2	152	1725	.912	6	377	1.75	2	4	.935
Totals	82	4956	2.42	46	29	7	3	200	2269	.912	6	382	1.88	2	4	.929

7. Edmonton

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Laurent Brossoit	8	332	1.99	4	1	0	0	11	153	.928	1	27	4.44	0	0	.750
Cam Talbot	73	4294	2.39	42	22	8	7	171	2117	.919	13	799	2.48	7	6	.924
Jonas Gustavsson	7	329	3.1	1	3	1	0	17	139	.878	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4991	2.49	47	26	9	7	207	2417	.914	13	829	2.53	7	6	.921

8. Minnesota

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Alex Stalock	2	119	1.51	1	1	0	0	3	54	.944	-	-	-	-	-	-
Devan Dubnyk	65	3758	2.25	40	19	5	5	141	1842	.923	5	322	1.86	1	4	.925
Darcy Kuemper	18	1053	3.13	8	5	3	0	55	562	.902	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4967	2.49	49	25	8	5	206	2465	.916	5	328	2.01	1	4	.918

9. Ottawa

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Craig Anderson	40	2421	2.28	25	11	4	5	92	1247	.926	19	1178	2.34	11	8	.922
Mike Condon	40	2304	2.5	19	14	6	5	96	1115	.914	2	61	3.93	0	0	.875
Andrew Hammond	6	206	4.08	0	2	0	0	14	86	.837	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Chris Driedger	1	40	6	0	1	0	0	4	15	.733	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4994	2.52	44	28	10	10	210	2467	.915	19	1244	2.41	11	8	.920

10. Boston

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Tuukka Rask	65	3680	2.23	37	20	5	8	137	1610	.915	6	402	2.24	2	4	.920
Anton Khudobin	16	885	2.64	7	6	1	0	39	405	.904	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Zane McIntyre	8	333	3.96	0	4	1	0	22	155	.858	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Malcolm Subban	1	31	5.81	0	1	0	0	3	16	.813	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4964	2.53	44	31	7	8	209	2194	.905	6	405	2.22	2	4	.920

11. Chicago

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Scott Darling	32	1689	2.38	18	5	5	2	67	877	.924	-	-	-	-	-	-
Corey Crawford	55	3247	2.55	32	18	4	2	138	1691	.918	4	254	2.83	0	4	.902
Totals	82	4980	2.55	50	23	9	4	212	2575	.918	4	257	3.04	0	4	.895

12. NY Rangers

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Magnus Hellberg	2	79	1.52	1	0	0	0	2	28	.929	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antti Raanta	30	1617	2.26	16	8	2	4	61	782	.922	-	-	-	-	-	-
Henrik Lundqvist	57	3240	2.74	31	20	4	2	148	1650	.910	12	775	2.25	6	6	.927
Totals	82	4974	2.61	48	28	6	7	216	2465	.912	12	782	2.3	6	6	.924

Lundqvist and Raanta shared a shutout vs. Dallas on December 15, 2016

13. St. Louis

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Carter Hutton	30	1459	2.39	13	8	2	4	58	663	.913	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jake Allen	61	3418	2.42	33	20	5	4	138	1620	.915	11	675	1.96	6	5	.935
*Pheonix Copley	1	59	5.08	0	1	0	0	5	29	.828	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4965	2.61	46	29	7	8	216	2327	.907	11	688	2.01	6	5	.932

14. Calgary

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Jon Gillies	1	60	1	1	0	0	0	1	28	.964	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brian Elliott	49	2844	2.55	26	18	3	2	121	1338	.910	4	185	3.89	0	3	.880
Chad Johnson	36	2013	2.59	18	15	1	3	87	969	.910	1	52	1.15	0	1	.952
*David Rittich	1	20	3	0	0	0	0	1	10	.900	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4974	2.64	45	33	4	5	219	2354	.907	4	242	3.47	0	4	.885

15. Nashville

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Juuse Saros	21	1200	2.35	10	8	3	1	47	614	.923	2	57	3.16	0	0	.824
Pekka Rinne	61	3568	2.42	31	19	9	3	144	1757	.918	22	1,289	1.96	14	8	.930
*Marek Mazanec	4	178	4.72	0	2	0	0	14	87	.839	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4986	2.65	41	29	12	4	220	2473	.911	22	1,357	2.12	14	8	.922

16. Tampa Bay

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Kristers Gudlevskis	1	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ben Bishop	32	1813	2.55	16	12	3	1	77	870	.911	-	-	-	-	-	-
Andrei Vasilevski	50	2831	2.61	23	17	7	2	123	1480	.917	-	-	-	-	-	-
Peter Budaj	7	279	2.8	3	1	0	0	13	128	.898	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4988	2.69	42	30	10	3	224	2492	.910	-	-	-	-	-	-

17. Pittsburgh

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Mike Condon	1	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Matthew Murray	49	2766	2.41	32	10	4	4	111	1450	.923	11	669	1.70	7	3	.937
Marc-Andre Fleury	38	2125	3.02	18	10	7	1	107	1181	.909	15	867	2.56	9	6	.924
*Tristan Jarry	1	59	3.05	0	1	0	0	3	25	.880	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4990	2.75	50	21	11	5	229	2671	.914	25	1,547	2.21	16	9	.928

18. Carolina

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Alex Nedeljkovic	1	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	1.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jorge Alves	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	-	-	-	-	-	-
Eddie Lack	20	1090	2.64	8	7	3	1	48	492	.902	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cam Ward	61	3618	2.69	26	22	12	2	162	1711	.905	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael Leighton	4	210	3.43	2	2	0	0	12	92	.870	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4993	2.76	36	31	15	3	230	2320	.901	-	-	-	-	-	-

19. Florida

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
James Reimer	43	2325	2.53	18	16	5	3	98	1222	.920	-	-	-	-	-	-
Roberto Luongo	40	2327	2.68	17	15	6	1	104	1217	.915	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reto Berra	7	313	3.45	0	5	0	0	18	145	.876	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	5007	2.77	35	36	11	4	231	2595	.911	-	-	-	-	-	-

20. Philadelphia

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Anthony Stolarz	7	376	2.07	2	1	1	1	13	181	.928	-	-	-	-	-	-
Steve Mason	58	3225	2.66	26	21	8	3	143	1556	.908	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michal Neuvirth	28	1364	2.82	11	11	1	0	64	586	.891	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	5008	2.77	39	33	10	5	231	2334	.901	-	-	-	-	-	-

Neuvirth and Stolarz shared a shutout vs. New Jersey on April 1, 2017

21. Buffalo

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Anders Nilsson	26	1484	2.67	10	10	4	1	66	857	.923	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robin Lehner	59	3405	2.68	23	26	8	2	152	1910	.920	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Linus Ullmark	1	59	3.05	0	1	0	0	3	36	.917	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4985	2.78	33	37	12	3	231	2813	.918	-	-	-	-	-	-

22. Toronto

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
*Antoine Bibeau	2	121	1.98	1	1	0	0	4	55	.927	-	-	-	-	-	-
Frederik Andersen	66	3799	2.67	33	16	14	4	169	2052	.918	6	403	2.68	2	4	.915
Curtis McElhinney	14	759	2.85	6	7	0	1	36	418	.914	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jhonas Enroth	6	274	3.94	0	3	1	0	18	141	.872	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4992	2.81	40	27	15	5	234	2673	.912	6	406	2.66	2	4	.915

23. NY Islanders

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Thomas Greiss	51	2813	2.69	26	18	5	3	126	1453	.913	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jaroslav Halak	28	1605	2.8	12	9	5	2	75	885	.915	-	-	-	-	-	-
*J-F Berube	14	527	3.42	3	2	2	0	30	271	.889	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4979	2.87	41	29	12	5	238	2616	.909	-	-	-	-	-	-

24. New Jersey

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Keith Kinkaid	26	1476	2.64	8	13	3	1	65	778	.916	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cory Schneider	60	3473	2.82	20	27	11	2	163	1781	.908	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4988	2.9	28	40	14	3	241	2572	.906	-	-	-	-	-	-

25. Vancouver

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Jacob Markstrom	26	1417	2.63	10	11	3	0	62	692	.910	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richard Bachman	5	295	2.64	2	3	0	0	13	162	.920	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ryan Miller	54	3212	2.8	18	29	6	3	150	1737	.914	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4980	2.9	30	43	9	3	241	2607	.908	-	-	-	-	-	-

26. Detroit

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Jimmy Howard	26	1397	2.1	10	11	1	1	49	675	.927	-	-	-	-	-	-
Petr Mrazek	50	2858	3.04	18	21	9	1	145	1462	.901	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Jared Coreau	14	712	3.46	5	4	3	2	41	362	.887	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	5019	2.92	33	36	13	4	244	2508	.903	-	-	-	-	-	-

27. Winnipeg

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Connor Hellebuyck	56	3034	2.89	26	19	4	4	146	1572	.907	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michael Hutchinson	28	1378	2.92	9	12	3	1	67	690	.903	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ondrej Pavelec	8	440	3.55	4	4	0	0	26	233	.888	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Eric Comrie	1	59	4.07	1	0	0	0	4	39	.897	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4965	3.08	40	35	7	5	255	2546	.900	-	-	-	-	-	-

28. Arizona

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Mike Smith	55	3202	2.92	19	26	9	3	156	1819	.914	-	-	-	-	-	-
Louis Domingue	31	1599	3.08	11	15	1	0	82	888	.908	-	-	-	-	-	-
Justin Peters	3	133	3.16	0	1	0	0	7	70	.900	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Marek Langhamer	1	16	3.75	0	0	0	0	1	8	.875	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4986	3.1	30	42	10	3	258	2797	.908	-	-	-	-	-	-

29. Dallas

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Kari Lehtonen	59	3177	2.85	22	25	7	3	151	1546	.902	-	-	-	-	-	-
Antti Niemi	37	1729	3.3	12	12	4	0	95	880	.892	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4960	3.15	34	37	11	3	260	2440	.893	-	-	-	-	-	-

30. Colorado

	Regular Season										Playoffs					
	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	OT	SO	GA	SA	SP	GP	MIN.	GAA	W	L	SP
Calvin Pickard	50	2820	2.98	15	31	2	2	140	1461	.904	-	-	-	-	-	-
Semyon Varlamov	24	1348	3.38	6	17	0	1	76	745	.898	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jeremy Smith	10	543	3.54	1	6	1	0	32	286	.888	-	-	-	-	-	-
*Spencer Martin	3	179	4.36	0	2	1	0	13	96	.865	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	82	4954	3.34	22	56	4	3	276	2603	.894	-	-	-	-	-	-

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FIRST ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G A P		PIM
1	NJ	2	Nico Hischier, C, Halifax (QMJHL), 6-1 176	57	38 48 86		24
2	Phi	1	Nolan Patrick, C, Brandon (WHL), 6-2 198	33	20 26 46		36
3	Dal	4E	Miro Heiskanen, D, HIFK (Fin), 6-0 170	37	5 5 10		4
4	Col	9	Cale Makar, D, Brooks (AJHL), 5-11 180	54	24 51 75		18
5	Van	2E	Elias Pettersson, C, Timra (Swe2), 6-2 161	43	19 22 41		14
6	Veg	6	Cody Glass, C, Portland (WHL), 6-2 178	69	32 62 94		36
7	NYR	3E	Lias Andersson, C, HV 71 (Swe), 5-11 198	42	9 10 19		18
8	Buf	3	Casey Mittelstadt, C, Eden Prairie (High-MN), 6-1 201	25	21 43 64		8
9	Det	5	Michael Rasmussen, C, Tri-City (WHL), 6-6 215	50	32 23 55		50
10	Fla	7	Owen Tippett, RW, Mississauga (OHL), 6-1 200	60	44 31 75		36
11	LA	4	Gabriel Vilardi, C, Windsor (OHL), 6-3 201	49	29 32 61		12
12	Car	5E	Martin Necas, RW, Brno (Cze), 6-1 167	41	7 8 15		6
13	Veg	10	Nick Suzuki, C, Owen Sound (OHL), 5-11 183	65	45 51 96		10
14	TB	12	Cal Foote, D, Kelowna (WHL), 6-4 212	71	6 51 57		41
15	Veg	9E	Erik Brannstrom, D, HV71 (Swe), 5-10 173	35	1 5 6		2
16	Cgy	11	Juuso Valimaki, D, Tri-City (WHL), 6-2 204	60	19 42 61		34
17	Tor	6E	Timothy Liljegren, D, Rogle (Swe), 6-0 191	19	1 4 5		4
18	Bos	8E	Urho Vaakanainen, D, JYP (Fin), 6-1 185	41	2 4 6		12
19	SJ	34	Josh Norris, C, Team USA (USHL), 6-1 192	25	12 14 26		18
20	StL	22	Robert Thomas, C, London (OHL), 6-0 188	66	16 50 66		26
21	NYR	11E	Filip Chytil, C, Zlin (Cze), 6-1 178	38	4 4 8		16
22	Edm	17	Kailer Yamamoto, RW, Spokane (WHL), 5-8 153	65	42 57 99		46
23	Ari	27	P-O Joseph, D, Charlottetown (QMJHL), 6-2 161	62	6 33 39		54
24	Wpg	7E	Kristian Vesalainen, LW, Frolunda (Swe), 6-3 207	26	1 5 6		2
25	Mtl	13	Ryan Poehling, C, St. Cloud State (NCHC), 6-2 183	35	7 6 13		12
26	Dal	1G	Jake Oettinger, G, Boston U. (HE), 6-4 212	35	2131	2.11	.927
27	Phi	31	Morgan Frost, C, Sault Ste. Marie (OHL), 5-11 170	67	20 42 62		36
28	Ott	16	Shane Bowers, C, Waterloo (USHL), 6-1 183	60	22 29 51		20
29	Chi	19	Henri Jokiharju, D, Portland (WHL), 6-0 180	71	9 39 48		38
30	Nsh	8	Eeli Tolvanen, RW, Sioux City (USHL), 5-10 170	52	30 24 54		26
31	StL	1E	Klim Kostin, RW, Dynamo Moscow (KHL), 6-3 196	8	0 0 0		27

SECOND ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G A P		PIM
32	Col	18	Conor Timmins, D, Sault Ste. Marie (OHL), 6-1 185	67	7 54 61		69
33	Van	23	Kole Lind, RW, Kelowna (WHL), 6-1 178	70	30 57 87		79
34	Veg	20	Nicolas Hague, D, Mississauga (OHL), 6-6 215	65	18 28 46		107
35	Phi	15	Isaac Ratcliffe, LW, Guelph (OHL), 6-6 200	67	28 26 54		65
36	NJ	10E	Jesper Boqvist, C, Timra (Swe2), 6-0 179	19	3 9 12		0
37	Buf	12E	Marcus Davidsson, C, Djurgarden (Swe), 6-0 191	45	5 4 9		6
38	Det	25E	Gustav Lindstrom, D, Almtuna (Swe2), 6-2 187	48	2 7 9		26
39	Dal	14	Jason Robertson, LW, Kingston (OHL), 6-2 192	68	42 39 81		29
40	Fla	26	Aleksi Heponiemi, C, Swift Current (WHL), 5-10 147	72	28 58 86		18
41	LA	21	Jaret Anderson-Dolan, C, Spokane (WHL), 5-11 188	72	39 37 76		22
42	Car	83E	Eetu Luostarinen, C, KalPa (Fin), 6-3 178	32	3 4 7		14
43	Wpg	67	Dylan Samberg, D, Hermantown (High-MN), 6-3 190	25	10 18 28		43
44	Ari	15E	Filip Westerlund, D, Frolunda (Swe), 5-11 180	33	0 4 4		6
45	Clb	16E	Alexandre Texier, C, Grenoble (Fra), 6-0 187	40	10 9 19		69
46	NYI	20E	Robin Salo, D, Sport (Fin), 6-1 187	54	1 15 16		14
47	Ott	29	Alex Formenton, LW, London (OHL), 6-2 165	65	16 18 34		50
48	TB	27E	Alex. Volkov, RW, SKA St. Petersburg (Rus Jr.), 6-1 191	16	6 5 11		12
49	SJ	78	Mario Ferraro, D, Des Moines (USHL), 5-11 184	60	8 33 41		42
50	Ana	30	Maxime Comtois, LW, Victoriaville (QMJHL), 6-2 200	64	22 29 51		88
51	Pit	143	Zachary Lauzon, D, Rouyn-Noranda (QMJHL), 6-1 187	63	3 18 21		90
52	Car	61	Luke Martin, D, Michigan (Big10), 6-4 216	35	1 6 7		12
53	Bos	120	Jack Studnicka, C, Oshawa (OHL), 6-1 171	64	18 34 52		36
54	Buf	1EG	Ukko-Pekka Luukkonen, G, HPK (Fin Jr.), 6-4 196	35	1955	1.78	.917
55	Van	39	Jonah Gadjovich, LW, Owen Sound (OHL), 6-2 209	60	46 28 74		32
56	Mtl	49	Josh Brook, D, Moose Jaw (WHL), 6-1 182	69	8 32 40		61
57	Chi	35	Ian Mitchell, D, Spruce Grove (AJHL), 5-11 173	53	8 29 37		34
58	Mtl	17E	Joni Ikonen, C, Frolunda (Swe Jr.), 5-11 172	40	22 19 41		42
59	Tor	32	Eemeli Rasanen, D, Kingston (OHL), 6-7 208	66	6 33 39		41
60	Ana	53	Antoine Morand, C, A.-Bathurst (QMJHL), 5-10 178	67	28 46 74		52
61	Nsh	24	Grant Mismash, LW, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-0 186	65	26 35 61		106
62	Veg	42	Jake Leschyshyn, C, Regina (WHL), 5-11 185	47	17 23 40		22

THIRD ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G A P		PIM
63	NJ	40E	Fabian Zetterlund, LW, Farjestad (Swe Jr.), 5-11 195	40	16 20 36		18
64	Van	4G	Michael DiPietro, G, Windsor (OHL), 6-0 200	51	2935	2.35	.917
65	Veg	19E	Jonas Rondbjerg, RW, Vaxjo (Swe Jr.), 6-2 187	42	9 22 31		4
66	Fla	54	Max Gildon, D, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-3 191	63	11 22 33		56
67	Car	45	Morgan Geekie, C, Tri-City (WHL), 6-2 178	72	35 55 90		40
68	Mtl	90	Scott Walford, D, Victoria (WHL), 6-2 193	60	6 24 30		36
69	Ari	44	MacKenzie Entwistle, RW, Hamilton (OHL), 6-3 175	54	12 13 25		25
70	Chi	28E	A. Altybarmakyan, RW, LVY-St. Petersburg (Rus Jr.), 5-11 183	31	20 25 45		77
71	Det	92	Kasper Kotkansalo, D, Sioux Falls (USHL), 6-2 198	47	1 11 12		43
72	LA	16G	Matt Villalta, G, Sault Ste. Marie (OHL), 6-3 165	33	1795	2.41	.918
73	Car	38	Stelio Mattheos, C, Brandon (WHL), 6-1 192	69	26 35 61		59
74	Wpg	155	Johnathan Kovacevic, D, Merrimack (HE), 6-4 208	36	3 16 19		30
75	Ari	47	Nate Schnarr, C, Guelph (OHL), 6-3 180	54	18 18 36		27
76	TB	13E	Alexei Lipanov, C, Balashikha (Rus2), 6-0 165	21	3 5 8		8
77	NYI	63	Ben Mirageas, D, Bloomington/Chicago (USHL), 6-1 180	59	2 17 19		22
78	Edm	5G	Stuart Skinner, G, Lethbridge (WHL), 6-3 205	60	3386	3.26	.905
79	Det	52	Lane Zablocki, RW, Regina/Red Deer (WHL), 6-0 190	64	28 26 54		97
80	Phi	5EG	Kirill Ustimenko, G, Dyn. St. Petersburg (Rus Jr.), 6-3 187	27	1515	1.74	.938
81	NJ	60	Reilly Walsh, D, Proctor Academy (High-NH), 5-11 181	30	30 39 69		-
82	Ari	89	Cameron Crotty, D, Brockville (CCHL), 6-3 182	41	4 9 13		32
83	Det	64	Zach Gallant, C, Peterborough (OHL), 6-2 188	60	21 26 47		74
84	Edm	69	Dmitri Samorukov, D, Guelph (OHL), 6-2 180	67	4 16 20		41
85	Min	36	Ivan Lodnia, RW, Erie (OHL), 5-10 182	66	24 33 57		24
86	Clb	10EG	Daniil Tarasov, G, Ufa (Rus Jr.), 6-3 174	Did Not Play - Injured			
87	Mtl	62	Cale Fleury, D, Kootenay (WHL), 6-1 201	70	11 27 38		67
88	Det	2G	Keith Petruzzelli, G, Muskegon (USHL), 6-5 180	35	2052	2.40	.918
89	Buf	NR	Oskari Laaksonen, D, Ilves (Fin Jr.), 5-9 133	27	6 3 9		14
90	Chi	65	Evan Barratt, C, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-0 188	63	18 38 56		76
91	Ana	NR	Jack Badini, C, Chicago (USHL), 6-0 203	59	28 14 42		38
92	Nsh	46	David Farrance, D, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 5-11 189	64	7 30 37		38
93	Pit	99	Clayton Phillips, D, Fargo (USHL), 5-11 182	56	7 13 20		35

FOURTH ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G A P		PIM
94	Col	25	Nick Henry, RW, Regina (WHL), 5-11 191	72	35 46 81		49
95	Van	57	Jack Rathbone, D, Dexter School (High-MA), 5-10 177	22	16 19 35		-
96	Veg	9G	Maksim Zhukov, G, Green Bay (USHL), 6-3 187	31	1736	2.25	.913
97	Min	55	Mason Shaw, C, Medicine Hat (WHL), 5-9 180	71	27 67 94		57
98	NJ	28	Nikita Popugaev, LW, Moose Jaw/P.George (WHL), 6-6 217	71	29 40 69		29
99	Buf	NR	Jacob Bryson, D, Providence (HE), 5-9 178	39	3 17 20		12
100	Det	NR	Malte Setkov, D, Malmo (Swe Jr.), 6-2 165	38	2 10 12		18
101	Dal	141	Liam Hawel, C, S.Ste-Marie/Guelph (OHL), 6-4 175	66	9 19 28		40
102	SJ	40	Scott Reedy, C, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-2 204	60	22 20 42		51
103	LA	51	Mikey Anderson, D, Waterloo (USHL), 6-0 197	54	5 29 34		52
104	Car	9EG	Eetu Makiniemi, G, Jokerit (Fin Jr.), 6-3 176	26	1522	2.68	.908
105	Wpg	54E	Santeri Virtanen, C, TPS (Fin Jr.), 6-2 194	5	2 4 6		0
106	Phi	33	Matthew Strome, LW, Hamilton (OHL), 6-4 206	66	34 28 62		62
107	Phi	72	Maksim Sushko, RW, Owen Sound (OHL), 6-0 181	54	17 15 32		24
108	Ari	75	Noel Hoefenmayer, D, Ottawa (OHL), 6-0 191	62	14 26 40		36
109	Cgy	37	Adam Ruzicka, C, Sarnia (OHL), 6-4 202	61	25 21 46		30
110	Tor	3G	Ian Scott, G, Prince Albert (WHL), 6-3 172	50	2649	3.69	.895
111	Bos	12G	Jeremy Swayman, G, Sioux Falls (USHL), 6-2 187	32	1883	2.90	.914
112	Chi	66E	Tim Soderlund, C, Skelleftea (Swe), 5-9 163	39	3 4 7		8
113	StL	21E	Alexei Toropchenko, RW, Balashikha (Rus Jr.), 6-3 187	45	19 12 31		50
114	Col	NR	Petr Kvaca, G, Ceske Budejovice (Cze2), 6-1 174	25	1487	1.82	.931
115	Edm	14E	Ostap Safin, RW, Sparta (Cze Jr.), 6-5 191	24	6 12 18		66
116	Min	85	Bryce Misley, C, Oakville (OJHL), 6-1 185	46	26 36 62		14
117	Clb	42E	Emil Bemstrom, C, Leksand (Swe Jr.), 5-11 177	28	21 12 33		35
118	LA	50	Markus Phillips, D, Owen Sound (OHL), 6-0 202	66	13 30 43		44
119	Chi	NR	Roope Laavainen, D, Jokerit (Fin Jr.), 6-2 200	48	5 16 21		42
120	Wsh	30E	Tobias Geisser, D, Zug (Swi2), 6-4 200	34	3 7 10		14
121	Ott	117	Drake Batherson, C, Cape Breton (QMJHL), 6-1 187	61	22 36 58		70
122	Ana	56	Kyle Olson, RW, Tri-City (WHL), 5-11 161	72	20 37 57		52
123	NYR	199	Brandon Crawley, D, London (OHL), 6-2 203	61	7 20 27		114
124	Tor	NR	Vladislav Kara, LW, Kazan (Rus2), 6-2 187	34	3 5 8		4

FIFTH ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G A P		PIM
125	Col	NR	Igor Shvyrev, C, Magnitogorsk (Rus Jr.), 6-1 191	40	21 49 70		26
126	Ari	109	Michael Karow, D, Youngstown (USHL), 6-2 200	58	4 17 21		39
127	Veg	18E	Lukas Elvenes, RW, Rogle (Swe Jr.), 6-1 173	41	15 30 45		22
128	Ari	70	Tyler Steenbergen, C, Swift Current (WHL), 5-10 188	72	51 39 90		22
129	NJ	NR	Gilles Senn, G, Davos (Swi), 6-4 190	34	2000	2.64	.910
130	StL	136	David Noel, D, Chicoutimi/Val-d'Or (QMJHL), 6-1 175	65	11 21 32		29
131	Det	197	Cole Fraser, D, Peterborough (OHL), 6-2 195	61	6 13 19		82
132	Dal	88E	Jacob Peterson, C, Frolunda (Swe Jr.), 6-0 165	44	15 12 27		8
133	Fla	68	Tyler Inamoto, D, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-2 194	51	2 11 13		108
134	LA	NR	Cole Hults, D, Madison (USHL), 6-0 189	59	6 26 32		112
135	Van	NR	Kristoffer Gunnarsson, D, Oskarshamn (Swe2), 6-1 205	29	1 1 2		8
136	Wpg	200	Leon Gawanke, D, Cape Breton (QMJHL), 6-1 186	54	8 24 32		26
137	Phi	121	Noah Cates, LW, Stillwater (High-MN), 6-1 165	25	20 45 65		10
138	LA	118	Drake Rymsha, C, Ottawa/Sarnia (OHL), 6-0 187	65	35 27 62		80
139	NYI	NR	Sebastian Aho, D, Skelleftea (Swe), 5-10 176	50	10 20 30		10
140	Cgy	NR	Zach Fischer, RW, Medicine Hat (WHL), 6-1 196	62	34 29 63		145
141	Tor	104	Fedor Gordeev, D, Hamilton/Flint (OHL), 6-6 211	64	4 10 14		45
142	Veg	108	Jonathan Dugan, LW, Northwood (High-NY), 6-2 185	47	32 61 93		-
143	NJ	101	Marian Studenic, RW, Hamilton (OHL), 6-1 164	58	18 12 30		23
144	Chi	NR	Parker Foo, LW, Brooks (AJHL), 6-0 171	60	34 32 66		58
145	NYR	44E	Calle Sjalin, D, Ostersund (Swe3), 6-1 179	34	5 10 15		26
146	Edm	66	Kirill Maksimov, RW, Saginaw/Niagara (OHL), 6-2 192	66	21 17 38		41
147	Min	144	Jacob Golden, D, London (OHL), 5-11 163	38	0 2 2		0
148	Clb	128	Kale Howarth, LW, Trail (BCHL), 6-5 201	51	30 29 59		46
149	Mtl	41	Jarret Tyszka, D, Seattle (WHL), 6-2 190	54	6 19 25		28
150	Chi	26E	Jakub Galvas, D, Olomouc (Cze), 5-11 161	36	1 5 6		14
151	Wsh	116E	Sebastian Walfridsson, D, MODO (Swe Jr.), 6-1 194	38	2 5 7		36
152	Pit	NR	Jan Drozg, LW, Leksand (Swe U18), 6-0 168	35	19 30 49		18
153	Ana	2EG	Olle Eriksson Ek, G, Farjestad (Swe Jr.), 6-3 183	30	1718	2.16	.924
154	Nsh	14G	Tomas Vomacka, G, Corpus Christi (NAHL), 6-3 165	41	2344	2.43	.923
155	Pit	57E	Linus Olund, C, Brynas (Swe), 5-11 185	39	8 7 15		2

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SIXTH ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G	A	P	PIM
156	Col	167	Denis Smirnov, RW, Penn State (Big10), 5-8 185	39	19	28	47	18
157	NYR	50E	Dominik Lakatos, C, Liberec (Cze), 6-0 178	41	10	12	22	80
158	Veg	73	Nick Campoli, C, North York (OJHL), 5-11 190	20	9	23	32	18
159	SJ	NR	Jacob McGrew, RW, Spokane (WHL), 5-10 190	Did Not Play - Injured				
160	NJ	58E	Aarne Talvitie, C, Blues (Fin Jr.), 5-10 198	46	13	24	37	36
161	Veg	4EG	Jiri Patera, G, Ceske Budejovice (Cze Jr.), 6-2 209	38	2257	2.61	.933	
162	Det	NR	Jack Adams, RW, Fargo (USHL), 6-5 190	56	37	23	60	55
163	Dal	142	Brett Davis, RW, Lethbridge/Kootenay (WHL), 6-1 178	59	18	15	33	18
164	Det	NR	Reilly Webb, D, Hamilton (OHL), 6-4 195	12	0	1	1	5
165	NYI	177	Arnaud Durandeau, LW, Halifax (QMJHL), 5-11 183	64	15	26	41	70
166	Car	87	Brendan De Jong, D, Portland (WHL), 6-5 192	72	8	15	23	72
167	Wpg	NR	Arvid Holm, G, Karlskrona (Swe Jr.), 6-4 213	26	1483	2.91	.906	
168	Phi	NR	Olle Lycksell, RW, Linkoping (Swe Jr.), 5-10 163	29	4	5	9	2
169	TB	NR	Nick Perbix, D, Elk River (High-MN), 6-2 191	25	10	30	40	6
170	Clb	105E	Jonathan Davidsson, RW, Djurgarden (Swe), 5-11 185	44	3	9	12	16
171	Cgy	102	D'Artagnan Joly, RW, Baie-Comeau (QMJHL), 6-3 181	66	16	32	48	35
172	Tor	107	Ryan McGregor, C, Sarnia (OHL), 6-0 157	65	14	13	27	16
173	Bos	146	Cedric Pare, C, Saint John (QMJHL), 6-3 205	64	5	11	16	26
174	NYR	98	Morgan Barron, C, St. Andrews (High-ON), 6-2 200	56	34	26	60	22
175	StL	154	Trenton Bourque, D, Owen Sound (OHL), 6-2 200	67	0	11	11	36
176	Nsh	83	Pavel Koltygin, C, Drummondville (QMJHL), 6-0 195	65	22	25	47	44
177	Edm	157	Skyler Brind'Amour, C, Selects Acad. (USMAAAE), 6-2 170	48	19	31	50	-
178	Min	48E	Andrei Svetlakov, C, CSKA Moscow (KHL), 6-0 202	37	4	12	16	42
179	Clb	151	Carson Meyer, RW, Miami (Ohio) (NCHC), 5-11 180	32	10	16	26	14
180	TB	NR	Cole Guttman, C, Dubuque (USHL), 5-9 167	53	27	27	54	18
181	van	NR	Petrus Palmu, LW, Owen Sound (OHL), 5-6 169	62	40	58	98	34
182	Wsh	159	Benton Maass, D, Elk River (High-MN), 6-1 185	25	6	23	29	6
183	Ott	15G	Jordan Hollett, G, Regina (WHL), 6-4 194	19	1143	2.83	.901	
184	Fla	NR	Sebastian Repo, RW, Pelicans/Tappara (Fin), 6-3 189	54	11	24	35	80
185	SJ	43	Sasha Chmelevski, C, Ottawa (OHL), 6-0 190	58	21	22	43	20
186	Pit	NR	Antti Palojarvi, D, Lukko (Fin Jr.), 6-1 176	47	1	10	11	14

SEVENTH ROUND

No.	Team	CSS	Player, Pos., Team (League), Ht. Wt.	GP	MIN	GAA	SP
				GP	G	A	P	PIM
187	Col	119	Nick Leivermann, D, Eden Prairie (High-MN), 5-11 194	21	10	24	34	16
188	Van	137	Matt Brassard, D, Barrie/Oshawa (OHL), 6-2 197	62	12	20	32	81
189	Veg	170	Ben Jones, C, Niagara (OHL), 6-0 187	63	13	37	50	56
190	Ari	62E	Erik Walli-Walterholm, RW, Djurgarden (Swe Jr.), 6-1 179	11	1	0	1	10
191	NJ	126	Jocktan Chainey, D, Halifax (QMJHL), 6-0 198	55	4	20	24	44
192	Buf	139	Linus Weissbach, LW, Tri-City (USHL), 5-8 161	49	19	28	47	4
193	Det	NR	Brady Gilmour, C, Saginaw (OHL), 5-10 170	65	26	21	47	4
194	Dal	8G	Dylan Ferguson, G, Kamloops (WHL), 6-1 189	31	1706	2.74	.922	
195	Bos	109E	Victor Berglund, D, MODO (Swe Jr.), 6-0 165	37	5	10	15	16
196	Phi	NR	Wyatt Kalynuk, D, Bloomington (USHL), 6-1 165	60	6	25	31	82
197	Car	NR	Ville Rasanen, D, Jokipojat (Fin2), 6-2 167	21	1	5	6	6
198	Wpg	176	Skyler McKenzie, LW, Portland (WHL), 5-8 154	72	42	42	84	60
199	Mtl	7G	Cayden Primeau, G, Lincoln (USHL), 6-3 181	30	1616	3.16	.895	
200	TB	NR	Samuel Walker, C, Edina (High-MN), 5-10 142	25	22	24	46	6
201	NYI	214	Logan Cockerill, LW, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 5-9 165	52	14	13	27	16
202	Cgy	65E	Filip Sveningsson, LW, HV71 (Swe Jr.), 6-0 180	37	15	14	29	59
203	Tor	208	Ryan O'Connell, D, St. Andrews Coll. (High-Ont), 6-1 170	53	6	30	36	22
204	Bos	173	Daniel Bukac, D, Brandon (WHL), 6-4 185	72	2	15	17	38
205	NJ	NR	Yegor Zaitsev, D, Balashikha (Rus2), 6-0 180	24	2	4	6	44
206	StL	NR	Anton Andersson, D, Lulea (Swe Jr.), 6-3 216	13	2	1	3	2
207	NYR	NR	Patrik Virta, C, TPS (Fin), 5-10 180	49	14	12	26	22
208	Edm	175	Philip Kemp, D, Team USA U18 (NTDP), 6-3 202	64	5	8	13	22
209	Min	138	Nick Swaney, RW, Waterloo (USHL), 5-10 175	47	26	25	51	12
210	Clb	88	Robbie Stucker, D, St. Thomas (High-MN), 6-3 178	25	8	32	40	20
211	Wpg	NR	Croix Evingson, D, Shreveport (NAHL), 6-5 210	59	12	40	52	125
212	SJ	71	Ivan Chekhovich, LW, Baie-Comeau (QMJHL), 5-10 177	60	26	33	59	14
213	Wsh	NR	K. Roykas Marthinsen, LW, Almtuna (Swe Jr.), 6-0 185	19	13	5	18	24
214	NJ	NR	Matthew Hellickson, D, Sioux City (USHL), 6-0 187	52	6	22	28	30
215	Chi	NR	Joshua Ess, D, Lakeville South (High-MN), 5-11 180	23	8	20	28	12
216	Nsh	105	Jacob Paquette, D, Kingston (OHL), 6-3 200	59	1	9	10	36
217	Pit	NR	William Reilly, D, Rensselaer (ECAC), 6-2 188	35	2	13	15	68

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC DIVISION	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
WB/Scranton	76	51	20	3	2	247	170	107
Lehigh Valley	76	48	23	5	0	260	219	101
Hershey	76	43	22	8	3	252	211	97
Providence	76	43	23	6	4	229	188	96
Bridgeport	76	44	28	3	1	220	212	92
Springfield	76	32	33	9	2	197	206	75
Hartford	76	24	46	4	2	194	280	54

NORTH DIVISION	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Syracuse	76	38	24	7	7	232	227	90
Toronto	76	42	29	4	1	245	207	89
Albany	76	39	32	2	3	204	206	83
St. John's	76	36	30	8	2	216	220	82
Utica	76	35	32	7	2	195	220	79
Rochester	76	32	41	0	3	205	240	67
Binghamton	76	28	44	2	2	190	266	60

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL DIVISION	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Chicago	76	44	19	8	5	251	200	101
Grand Rapids	76	47	23	1	5	251	190	100
Milwaukee	76	43	26	4	3	225	215	93
Charlotte	76	39	29	7	1	212	208	86
Cleveland	76	39	29	4	4	195	198	86
Iowa	76	36	31	7	2	182	196	81
Manitoba	76	29	37	5	5	197	242	68
Rockford	76	25	39	9	3	175	246	62

PACIFIC DIVISION	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
San Jose	68	43	16	4	5	232	176	95
San Diego	68	43	20	3	2	221	178	91
Ontario	68	36	21	10	1	199	190	83
Stockton	68	34	25	7	2	212	192	77
Bakersfield	68	33	29	5	1	200	188	72
Tucson	68	29	31	8	0	187	237	66
Texas	76	34	37	1	4	224	265	73
San Antonio	76	27	42	5	2	184	240	61

*Teams are awarded one point for an overtime loss (OL) and a shootout loss (SL)

REGULAR SEASON SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Kenny Agostino, Chi	65	24	59	83
2.	Chris Terry, SNF	58	30	38	68
3.	Chris Mueller, Tuc	68	19	48	67
4.	Wade Megan, Chi	73	33	33	66
5.	Taylor Beck, Bak/Hfd	56	19	47	66
6.	Cole Schneider, Roc	71	24	39	63
7.	Travis Boyd, Her	76	16	47	63
8.	T.J. Brennan, LV	76	21	39	60
9.	Chris Bourque, Her	76	18	42	60
10.	Cory Conacher, Syr	56	17	43	60
11.	Matt Taormina, Syr	70	15	45	60
12.	Daniel O'Regan, SJ	63	23	35	58
13.	Christian Djoos, Her	66	13	45	58
14.	Andy Miele, LV	65	13	44	57
15.	Mark Jankowski, Stk	64	27	29	56
16.	Matt Lorito, GR	61	22	34	56
17.	Chris Conner, LV	70	22	34	56
18.	Tim Heed, SJ	55	14	42	56
19.	Nicklas Jensen, Hfd	70	32	23	55
20.	Rocco Grimaldi, SA	72	31	24	55
21.	Anton Lander, Bak	42	25	30	55
22.	Ben Street, GR	62	25	30	55
23.	Paul Carey, Her	55	24	31	55
24.	Travis Morin, Tex	72	21	34	55
25.	Linden Vey, Stk	61	15	40	55

REGULAR SEASON GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Zane McIntyre, Pro	31	2.03	.930
2.	Troy Grosenick, SJ	49	2.04	.926
3.	Alex Stalock, IA	50	2.28	.926
4.	Anton Forsberg, Cle	51	2.28	.926
5.	Casey DeSmith, WBS	29	2.01	.926
6.	Tristan Jarry, WBS	45	2.15	.925
7.	Jaroslav Halak, Bri	27	2.15	.925
8.	Pheonix Copley, Chi/Her	41	2.25	.924
9.	David Rittich, Stk	31	2.27	.924
10.	Garret Sparks, Tor	31	2.16	.922

CALDER CUP FINAL

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PLAYOFF SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Cory Conacher, Syr	22	12	16	28
2.	Yanni Gourde, Syr	22	9	18	27
3.	Tomas Nosek, GR	19	10	12	22
4.	Ben Street, GR	19	8	13	21
5.	Matt Taormina, Syr	22	5	15	20
6.	Tyler Bertuzzi, GR	19	9	10	19
7.	Eric Tangradi, GR	19	2	17	19
8.	Danton Heinen, Pro	17	9	9	18
9.	Ryan Carpenter, SJ	15	9	8	17
10.	Mitch Callahan, GR	19	6	10	16

PLAYOFF GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Jack Campbell, Ont	5	1.70	.934
2.	Pheonix Copley, Her	9	2.13	.933
3.	Mackenzie Blackwood, Alb	4	2.13	.928
4.	Jhonas Enroth, SD	10	2.69	.924
5.	Charlie Lindgren, SNF	4	2.21	.922

ALBANY DEVILS (NJ)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
John Quenneville, F	58	14	32	46	53
Blake Coleman, F	52	19	20	39	56
Brian Gibbons, F	72	16	20	36	38
Carter Camper, F	47	6	29	35	18
Blake Pietila, F	49	17	16	33	38
Ben Sexton, F	54	19	12	31	60
Nick Lappin, F	35	14	15	29	14
Joe Blandisi, F	31	8	17	25	60
Jacob MacDonald, D	34	8	16	24	9
Vojtech Mozik, D	65	11	11	22	56
Shane Harper, F	58	8	14	22	8
Kevin Rooney, F	71	13	8	21	39
Karl Stollery, D	59	1	16	17	53
Max Novak, F	63	7	8	15	23
Jan Mandat, F	52	6	8	14	25
Rod Pelley, F	71	6	7	13	34
Yohann Auvitu, D	29	5	8	13	2
Petr Straka, F	38	4	9	13	14
Ryan Kujawinski, F	32	6	6	12	24
Ben Thomson, F	72	6	4	10	90
Seth Helgeson, D	48	2	7	9	50
Josh Jacobs, D	49	0	9	9	32
Miles Wood, F	15	4	4	8	34
Luke Gazdic, F	37	1	6	7	63
Viktor Loov, D	51	2	4	6	49
Andrew MacWilliam, D	63	0	5	5	100
Greg Wolfe, F	11	1	1	2	2
Austin Cangelosi, F	8	0	2	2	0
Steven Santini, D	20	0	2	2	35
Brian Ward, F	8	0	1	1	0
Sam Kurker, F	1	0	0	0	0
Brandon Gignac, F	2	0	0	0	2

BAKERSFIELD CONDORS (EDM)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Anton Lander, F	42	25	30	55	14
Justin Fontaine, F	65	11	30	41	26
Joey LaLeggia, F	67	20	18	38	30
Josh Currie, F	67	22	14	36	28
Ryan Hamilton, F	49	17	19	36	23
Jordan Oesterle, D	44	7	25	32	10
Jesse Puljujarvi, F	39	12	16	28	10
Griffin Reinhart, D	54	7	14	21	42
Jujhar Khaira, F	27	8	12	20	31
Mark Oliver, F	50	6	14	20	33
Scott Allen, F	57	8	11	19	26
Patrick Russell, F	68	8	9	17	22
Mark Fayne, D	39	3	14	17	16
Jaedon Descheneau, F	38	6	9	15	14
Greg Chase, F	48	3	11	14	12
Dillon Simpson, D	53	3	8	11	26
Jere Sallinen, F	53	4	6	10	20
Anton Slepyshev, F	9	3	7	10	6
Braden Christoffer, F	49	5	3	8	45
Brodie Dupont, F	21	2	6	8	23
Kyle Platzer, F	51	1	7	8	14
Mark Fraser, D	65	3	3	6	79
Ben Betker, D	30	1	5	6	18
Joey Benik, F	21	4	1	5	0
Bryce Aneloski, D	35	1	4	5	16
Henrik Samuelsson, F	25	2	1	3	20
Joe Gambardella, F	6	1	2	3	0
Matt Benning, D	2	1	1	2	0
Zach Pochiro, F	4	0	2	2	0
Iiro Pakarinen, F	5	0	1	1	4
Frankie Simonelli, D	6	0	1	1	4
Evan Campbell, F	1	0	0	0	0
Evan Polei, F	1	0	0	0	2
Mikael Tam, D	2	0	0	0	0
Kellan Lain, F	2	0	0	0	2
Ryan Mantha, D	2	0	0	0	0
Ziyat Paigin, D	5	0	0	0	2
Joel Rechlicz, F	15	0	0	0	54

BINGHAMTON SENATORS (OTT)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jason Akeson, F	57	20	31	51	22
Phil Varone, F	65	15	36	51	22
Casey Bailey, F	62	21	16	37	20
Nick Paul, F	72	15	22	37	30
Max McCormick, F	66	21	15	36	105
Mike Blunden, F	67	14	15	29	57
Kyle Flanagan, F	68	9	20	29	23
Jack Rodewald, F	66	18	9	27	34
Chris Rumble, D	56	6	21	27	8
Ben Harpur, D	63	2	25	27	81
Francis Perron, F	68	6	20	26	14
Chad Nehring, F	50	5	13	18	16
Chris Carlisle, D	74	3	13	16	35
Brandon Gormley, D	52	4	11	15	42
Patrick Sieloff, D	52	2	10	12	93
Andreas Englund, D	69	3	7	10	82
Marc Hagel, F	53	2	8	10	39
Alex Krushelnyski, F	43	3	4	7	20
Ryan Rupert, F	33	3	3	6	25
Gabriel Gagne, F	41	2	4	6	9
Curtis Lazar, F	13	3	1	4	8
Colin White, F	3	1	2	3	2
Guillaume Lepine, D	54	1	2	3	77
Jordan Murray, D	5	1	1	2	2
Charles-David Beaudoin, D	6	0	2	2	4
Vincent Dunn, F	8	0	2	2	9
Macoy Erkamps, D	11	0	2	2	6
Zach O'Brien, F	1	1	0	1	0
Steve McParland, F	6	0	1	1	8
Fredrik Claesson, D	9	0	1	1	2
Kevin Lough, D	1	0	0	0	0
Triston Grant, F	1	0	0	0	2
Mike Cazzola, F	3	0	0	0	0
Alexis Loiseau, F	3	0	0	0	0
Chris LeBlanc, F	6	0	0	0	0
Jamie Doornbosch, D	8	0	0	0	0
Jordan Boucher, F	9	0	0	0	0

BRIDGEPORT SOUND TIGERS (NYI)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Bracken Kearns, F	74	23	28	51	43
Ryan Pulock, D	55	15	31	46	18
Devon Toews, D	76	5	40	45	18
Tanner Fritz, F	63	19	23	42	30
Michael Dal Colle, F	75	15	26	41	37
Andrew Rowe, F	66	13	23	36	26
Josh Ho-Sang, F	50	10	26	36	24
Joshua Winquist, F	53	15	17	32	21
Carter Verhaeghe, F	45	16	13	29	20
Steve Bernier, F	33	16	10	26	26
Kyle Burroughs, D	71	3	21	24	116
Kane Lafranchise, D	67	5	16	21	28
Travis St. Denis, F	50	12	8	20	57
Connor Jones, F	58	5	14	19	89
Jon Landry, D	53	4	14	18	28
Ben Holmstrom, F	76	7	9	16	91
Ross Johnston, F	62	8	7	15	135
Kellen Jones, F	58	6	9	15	48
Jesse Graham, D	19	2	7	9	6
Josh Holmstrom, F	66	2	5	7	41
Scott Mayfield, D	23	3	3	6	27
Colin Markison, F	28	2	4	6	8
Adam Pelech, D	13	1	4	5	10
Patrick Cullity, D	36	0	5	5	52
Darren Nowick, F	13	3	1	4	8
Jake Bischoff, D	6	2	1	3	2
Stephen Gionta, F	7	1	2	3	6
Loic Leduc, D	33	1	2	3	36
Tim Wallace, F	7	1	1	2	0
Eric Boulton, F	2	0	1	1	0
John Stevens, F	8	0	1	1	0
Kyle Schempp, F	11	0	1	1	2
Rocco Carzo, F	1	0	0	0	2
Matt Finn, D	2	0	0	0	0
Brant Harris, F	3	0	0	0	2
Parker Wotherspoon, D	4	0	0	0	4

CHARLOTTE CHECKERS (CAR)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Andrew Poturalski, F	74	19	33	52	34
Lucas Wallmark, F	67	24	22	46	28
Andrew Miller, F	55	11	30	41	10
Valentin Zykov, F	66	16	18	34	57
Jake Chelios, D	76	4	28	32	54
Phil Di Giuseppe, F	40	12	16	28	22
Patrick Brown, F	66	12	16	28	45
Connor Brickley, F	69	15	11	26	57
Patrick Dwyer, F	58	14	12	26	20
Haydn Fleury, D	69	7	19	26	8
Danny Kristo, F	54	10	13	23	16
Sergey Tolchinsky, F	59	7	16	23	41
Kris Newbury, F	52	11	9	20	50
Philip Samuelsson, D	65	4	15	19	35
Levko Koper, F	56	7	11	18	12
Dennis Robertson, D	65	6	10	16	52
Trevor Carrick, D	57	4	12	16	45
Andrej Nestrasil, F	39	5	9	14	6
Derek Ryan, F	9	5	8	13	0
Roland McKeown, D	71	1	10	11	16
Aleksi Saarela, F	9	6	4	10	2
Brock McGinn, F	9	5	3	8	6
Matt Tennyson, D	9	3	4	7	5
Erik Karlsson, F	42	0	7	7	6
Brendan Woods, F	24	3	3	6	41
Clark Bishop, F	42	2	4	6	11
Bryan Bickell, F	10	1	3	4	4
Kyle Hagel, F	24	1	3	4	48
Mitchell Heard, F	36	0	4	4	53
Greger Hanson, F	12	1	2	3	11
Josh Wesley, D	9	1	0	1	0
Cason Hohmann, F	2	0	1	1	0
Klas Dahlbeck, D	6	0	1	1	0
Ryan Murphy, D	7	0	1	1	4
Tyler Ganly, D	2	0	0	0	0
Kevin Raine, D	13	0	0	0	4

CHICAGO WOLVES (STL)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Kenny Agostino, F	65	24	59	83	48
Wade Megan, F	73	33	33	66	57
Andrew Agozzino, F	71	18	36	54	57
Vince Dunn, D	72	13	32	45	71
Samuel Blais, F	75	26	17	43	58
Ivan Barbashev, F	46	19	18	37	14
Morgan Ellis, D	74	9	21	30	36
Brett Sterling, F	61	11	18	29	40
Brad Hunt, D	23	9	20	29	6
Brad Malone, F	71	11	17	28	72
Chris Butler, D	72	5	21	26	46
Jordan Caron, F	57	5	20	25	47
Jordan Schmaltz, D	42	3	22	25	22
Bryce Gervais, F	60	13	8	21	37
Magnus Paajarvi, F	26	7	11	18	2
Zach Sanford, F	25	11	5	16	14
Petteri Lindbohm, D	52	8	8	16	54
Landon Ferraro, F	22	7	8	15	12
Scooter Vaughan, F	60	6	6	12	31
Alex Friesen, F	76	3	9	12	47
Mackenzie MacEachern, F	55	5	6	11	8
James Wisniewski, D	21	4	7	11	30
Ty Loney, F	24	4	6	10	4
Reid McNeill, D	61	3	7	10	67
Conner Bleackley, F	45	2	8	10	8
Ty Rattie, F	22	2	3	5	2
Jake Walman, D	7	2	1	3	2
Kevin Tansey, D	19	1	2	3	21
Tage Thompson, F	16	1	1	2	2
Justin Selman, F	17	1	1	2	6
Jacob Doty, F	4	0	1	1	17
Jared Nightingale, D	12	0	1	1	18
Jordan Kyrou, F	1	0	0	0	0
Adam Musil, F	2	0	0	0	0
Josh Brittain, F	2	0	0	0	0

CLEVELAND MONSTERS (CLB)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Sonny Milano, F	63	18	29	47	24
T.J. Tynan, F	72	12	29	41	34
Markus Hannikainen, F	57	19	18	37	22
Daniel Zaar, F	55	8	22	30	24
Dean Kukan, D	72	4	25	29	43
Oliver Bjorkstrand, F	37	14	12	26	6
Alex Broadhurst, F	52	11	14	25	23
John Ramage, D	69	4	21	25	67
Justin Scott, F	58	13	10	23	55
Jordan Maletta, F	76	12	11	23	69
Ryan Craig, F	71	11	11	22	25
Joe Pendenza, F	62	9	12	21	6
Jaime Sifers, D	74	6	14	20	74
Nick Moutrey, F	61	8	9	17	42
Zac Dalpe, F	32	10	6	16	22
Marc-Andre Bergeron, D	22	5	8	13	8
Aaron Palushaj, F	28	3	9	12	24
Ryan Stanton, D	48	2	10	12	69
Alex Petan, F	19	3	5	8	6
Blake Siebenaler, D	43	3	3	6	10
Oleg Yevenko, D	49	0	6	6	90
Akim Aliu, F	13	3	2	5	19
Brett Gallant, F	50	3	2	5	128
Sam Vigneault, F	16	1	4	5	8
Vitaly Abramov, F	4	1	3	4	2
Paul Bittner, F	31	0	3	3	10
Kyle Thomas, F	12	1	1	2	4
Jacob Graves, D	19	1	1	2	29
Joe Devin, F	20	1	1	2	6
Dalton Prout, D	7	0	2	2	6
Dante Salituro, F	5	1	0	1	2
Shawn Szydlowski, F	7	1	0	1	2
Miles Koules, F	9	1	0	1	8
Frank Hora, D	3	0	1	1	4
Gabriel Carlsson, D	3	0	1	1	2
Ryan Collins, D	5	0	1	1	2
Sheldon Brookbank, D	6	0	1	1	2
Kole Sherwood, F	2	0	0	0	2
Scott Harrington, D	2	0	0	0	0
Scott Savage, D	3	0	0	0	0
Mike Brown, F	11	0	0	0	2

GRAND RAPIDS GRIFFINS (DET)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Matt Lorito, F	61	22	34	56	25
Ben Street, F	62	25	30	55	16
Evgeny Svechnikov, F	74	20	31	51	62
Martin Frk, F	65	27	23	50	58
Eric Tangradi, F	54	17	27	44	53
Mitch Callahan, F	66	16	27	43	57
Kyle Criscuolo, F	76	17	24	41	14
Tomas Nosek, F	51	15	26	41	33
Tyler Bertuzzi, F	48	12	25	37	37
Matthew Ford, F	51	14	21	35	28
Joe Hicketts, D	73	7	27	34	40
Robbie Russo, D	58	7	25	32	37
Colin Campbell, F	57	9	11	20	35
Dominic Turgeon, F	71	6	12	18	6
Nathan Paetsch, D	73	1	17	18	30
Dan Renouf, D	67	3	13	16	95
Brian Lashoff, D	62	3	8	11	32
Conor Allen, D	56	1	10	11	49
Anthony Mantha, F	10	8	2	10	6
Louis-Marc Aubry, F	36	4	5	9	17
Dylan McIlrath, D	43	1	7	8	81
Dylan Sadowy, F	38	4	2	6	18
Nick Jensen, D	27	1	5	6	6
Mike Borkowski, F	51	3	2	5	2
Drew Miller, F	7	2	1	3	0
Dominik Shine, F	8	0	3	3	7
Tomas Jurco, F	2	1	1	2	6
Axel Holmstrom, F	7	1	1	2	2
Filip Hronek, D	10	1	1	2	4
Matt Caito, D	13	1	1	2	6
Patrick McCarron, D	1	0	1	1	0
Zach Nastasiuk, F	7	0	1	1	0
Dennis Cholowski, D	1	0	0	0	0
Givani Smith, F	3	0	0	0	2
Tylor Spink, F	5	0	0	0	4

HARTFORD WOLF PACK (NYR)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Taylor Beck, F	56	19	47	66	24
Nicklas Jensen, F	70	32	23	55	58
Marek Hrivik, F	56	16	24	40	12
Adam Tambellini, F	68	13	22	35	22
Ryan Graves, D	76	8	22	30	69
Matt Carey, F	73	21	8	29	82
Chris Brown, F	64	14	13	27	78
John Gilmour, D	76	6	19	25	18
Dan Catenacci, F	69	9	13	22	70
Steven Fogarty, F	66	7	13	20	21
Philip McRae, F	76	8	11	19	20
Steven Kampfer, D	43	4	15	19	44
Cristoval Nieves, F	40	6	12	18	10
Tanner Glass, F	57	6	9	15	86
Michael Paliotta, D	52	1	13	14	20
Michael Joly, F	28	6	6	12	6
Chris Summers, D	74	4	8	12	71
Robin Kovacs, F	72	2	10	12	20
Malte Stromwall, F	44	2	4	6	20
Pavel Buchnevich, F	4	3	2	5	0
Ty Ronning, F	12	2	3	5	6
Vince Pedrie, D	9	0	5	5	8
Tommy Hughes, D	53	0	5	5	34
Ahti Oksanen, F	15	2	2	4	2
Adam Chapie, F	24	0	4	4	6
Calle Andersson, D	4	0	3	3	4
Garrett Noonan, D	26	0	3	3	24
Spiro Goulakos, D	8	0	2	2	4
Vinni Lettieri, F	9	0	1	1	4
Tommy Thompson, F	3	0	0	0	0

HERSHEY BEARS (WSH)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Travis Boyd, F	76	16	47	63	16
Chris Bourque, F	76	18	42	60	46
Christian Djoos, D	66	13	45	58	34
Paul Carey, F	55	24	31	55	29
Christian Thomas, F	65	24	25	49	6
Stanislav Galiev, F	56	21	19	40	20
Chandler Stephenson, F	72	10	28	38	42
Jakub Vrana, F	49	19	17	36	28
Liam O'Brien, F	64	10	20	30	117
Riley Barber, F	39	13	14	27	12
Nathan Walker, F	58	11	12	23	33
Garrett Mitchell, F	71	10	10	20	121
Aaron Ness, D	51	5	12	17	24
Tyler Lewington, D	72	4	13	17	142

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Zach Sill, F	67	7	9	16	30
Colby Williams, D	60	4	12	16	40
Ryan Bourque, F	53	4	10	14	16
Tom Gilbert, D	30	3	11	14	10
Madison Bowey, D	34	3	11	14	28
Mattias Backman, D	46	4	9	13	26
Hubert Labrie, D	70	3	8	11	66
Cody Corbett, D	23	2	8	10	6
Kelly Zajac, F	9	4	3	7	2
Domenic Monardo, F	11	0	3	3	6
Joey Leach, D	18	0	3	3	35
Steve Weinstein, D	5	0	2	2	0
Hampus Gustafsson, F	10	0	2	2	13
Dustin Gazley, F	3	1	0	1	0
Justin Agosta, D	3	0	0	0	0
Jonas Siegenthaler, D	7	0	0	0	2

IOWA WILD (MIN)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Pat Cannone, F	73	9	29	38	26
Alex Tuch, F	57	18	19	37	28
Teemu Pulkkinen, F	47	18	18	36	36
Mike Reilly, D	57	5	25	30	48
Sam Anas, F	66	12	16	28	6
Christoph Bertschy, F	67	11	13	24	30
Gustav Olofsson, D	59	6	18	24	32
Zack Mitchell, F	62	11	11	22	10
Mario Lucia, F	44	9	13	22	18
Colton Beck, F	74	5	16	21	24
Zach Palmquist, D	72	2	19	21	20
Jordan Schroeder, F	25	6	12	18	12
Tyler Graovac, F	26	10	5	15	15
Maxime Fortunus, D	64	4	11	15	20
Jeff Hoggan, F	61	7	5	12	33
Kurtis Gabriel, F	49	8	2	10	68
Adam Gilmour, F	52	4	6	10	12
Luke Kunin, F	12	5	3	8	16
Mike Weber, D	56	1	7	8	92
Gerald Mayhew, F	17	6	1	7	4
Hunter Warner, D	52	2	5	7	57
Nick Saracino, F	33	2	4	6	6
Nolan Zajac, D	11	1	4	5	4
Nick Seeler, D	57	0	5	5	109
Ryan Carter, F	18	1	2	3	25
Scott Czarnowczan, D	11	0	2	2	6
Dylan Labbe, D	16	0	2	2	11
Joel Eriksson Ek, F	1	1	0	1	0
Dmitry Sokolov, F	2	1	0	1	0
Michael Sdao, D	2	1	0	1	0
A.J. Jenks, F	7	1	0	1	11
Justin Kloos, F	9	1	0	1	4
Chase Lang, F	1	0	0	0	0
Nolan La Porte, F	1	0	0	0	0
Jack Nevins, F	1	0	0	0	0
Guillaume Gelinas, D	1	0	0	0	0
Carson Soucy, D	3	0	0	0	2
Tyler Sikura, F	16	0	0	0	0

LEHIGH VALLEY PHANTOMS (PHI)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
T.J. Brennan, D	76	21	39	60	101
Andy Miele, F	65	13	44	57	54
Chris Conner, F	70	22	34	56	10
Greg Carey, F	74	28	23	51	17
Jordan Weal, F	43	15	32	47	30
Colin McDonald, F	72	25	19	44	27
Danick Martel, F	68	20	20	40	67
Corban Knight, F	72	11	29	40	44
Scott Laughton, F	60	19	20	39	40
Taylor Leier, F	48	13	24	37	16
Travis Sanheim, D	76	10	27	37	46
Mark Zengerle, F	69	13	21	34	16
Will O'Neill, D	57	3	28	31	44
Cole Bardreau, F	72	9	15	24	85
Nicolas Aube-Kubel, F	71	9	9	18	55
Radel Fazleev, F	65	6	10	16	26
Samuel Morin, D	74	3	13	16	129
Robert Hagg, D	58	7	8	15	48
Maxim Lamarche, D	26	4	9	13	14
Mark Alt, D	40	1	10	11	10
Reece Willcox, D	48	3	4	7	12
Chris McCarthy, F	17	1	2	3	4
Tyrell Goulbourne, F	24	1	0	1	24
Mark Friedman, D	1	0	1	1	0
Boyd Gordon, F	6	0	0	0	21
Steven Swavely, F	16	0	0	0	0

MANITOBA MOOSE (WPG)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jack Roslovic, F	65	13	35	48	22
Kyle Connor, F	52	25	19	44	14
Dan DeSalvo, F	66	18	22	40	30
Chase De Leo, F	69	14	18	32	12
Kevin Czuczman, D	76	9	23	32	48
JC Lipon, F	71	12	18	30	129
Patrice Cormier, F	69	13	16	29	101
Scott Kosmachuk, F	58	11	17	28	47
Quinton Howden, F	58	13	11	24	10
Brenden Kichton, D	63	1	22	23	52
Scott Glennie, F	45	7	13	20	34
Peter Stoykewych, D	72	5	15	20	47
Brendan Lemieux, F	61	12	7	19	130
Jimmy Lodge, F	63	8	10	18	34
Brian Strait, D	58	2	12	14	36
Nelson Nogier, D	60	2	11	13	35
Ryan Olsen, F	56	7	4	11	54
Brandon Tanev, F	23	2	7	9	13
Julian Melchiori, D	40	2	6	8	18
Jan Kostalek, D	60	2	5	7	20
Francis Beauvillier, F	9	4	1	5	13
Nic Petan, F	9	4	1	5	4
Andrew Copp, F	8	0	5	5	4
Darren Kramer, F	42	3	1	4	89
Jansen Harkins, F	4	2	2	4	4
Bryan Moore, F	4	1	1	2	12
Darcy Murphy, F	8	1	1	2	4
Marko Dano, F	6	0	2	2	4
Jake Kulevich, D	11	0	2	2	4
Anthony Peluso, F	22	0	2	2	6
Danick Gauthier, F	2	1	0	1	2
Rob Flick, F	5	1	0	1	7

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Elgin Pearce, F	3	0	1	1	0
Michael Spacek, F	4	0	1	1	8
Luke Green, D	4	0	1	1	0
Jake Baker, D	15	0	1	1	30
Kale Kessy, F	16	0	1	1	16
Jiri Fronk, F	1	0	0	0	0
Adam Pleskach, F	1	0	0	0	2
Tim Daly, D	2	0	0	0	2
Phil Brewer, F	2	0	0	0	0
Jordan Hill, D	6	0	0	0	0

MILWAUKEE ADMIRALS (NSH)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Pontus Åberg, F	56	31	21	52	40
Vladislav Kamenev, F	70	21	30	51	59
Trevor Smith, F	74	14	35	49	47
Frederick Gaudreau, F	66	25	23	48	14
Matt White, F	71	15	26	41	16
Alexandre Carrier, D	72	6	33	39	45
Adam Payerl, F	76	16	22	38	123
Trevor Murphy, D	75	12	21	33	92
Justin Florek, F	75	12	18	30	12
Mike Ribeiro, F	28	5	21	26	18
Justin Kirkland, F	56	9	12	21	34
Kevin Fiala, F	22	7	12	19	45
Harry Zolnierczyk, F	24	6	10	16	20
Anthony Richard, F	55	4	12	16	23
Jack Dougherty, D	75	2	11	13	32
Derek Army, F	37	7	5	12	43
Andrew O'Brien, D	42	2	10	12	40
Jimmy Oligny, D	66	1	11	12	118
Mike Liambas, F	72	3	8	11	149
Adam Pardy, D	31	3	4	7	20
Petter Granberg, D	50	1	5	6	34
Reid Boucher, F	5	4	1	5	0
Stephen Perfetto, F	13	3	2	5	2
Cody Bass, F	13	2	2	4	33
Jonathan Diaby, D	21	2	2	4	30
Tyler Moy, F	3	1	3	4	2
Anthony Bitetto, D	3	1	2	3	0
Yakov Trenin, F	5	1	2	3	2
Tyler Kelleher, F	6	0	2	2	2
Blake Kessel, D	8	0	2	2	2
Rick Pinkston, D	20	0	2	2	22
Austin Watson, F	3	1	0	1	9
Miikka Salomaki, F	4	1	0	1	4
Samuel Girard, D	6	1	0	1	0
Matt Irwin, D	4	0	1	1	4
Garrett Meurs, F	1	0	0	0	0
Shawn O'Donnell, F	6	0	0	0	12

ONTARIO REIGN (LA)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
T.J. Hensick, F	67	16	36	52	18
Jonny Brodzinski, F	59	27	22	49	12
Mike Amadio, F	68	16	25	41	4
Teddy Purcell, F	38	10	28	38	2
Brett Sutter, F	66	18	18	36	52
Vincent LoVerde, D	61	9	26	35	68
Sean Backman, F	67	12	22	34	24
Michael Mersch, F	48	16	17	33	46
Cameron Schilling, D	72	8	18	26	49
Zach Leslie, D	65	5	18	23	29
Adrian Kempe, F	46	12	8	20	44
Justin Auger, F	61	11	9	20	58
Kurtis MacDermid, D	58	6	14	20	135
Paul LaDue, D	38	6	12	18	28
Andrew Crescenzi, F	56	7	8	15	57
Sam Herr, F	61	8	6	14	30
Patrick Bjorkstrand, F	42	8	4	12	10
Alex Lintuniemi, D	41	2	8	10	6
Joel Lowry, F	40	1	7	8	64
Alexx Privitera, D	19	0	6	6	13
Daniel Ciampini, F	23	1	4	5	12
Philippe Maillet, F	8	2	2	4	4
Devin Setoguchi, F	9	0	3	3	10
Rob Scuderi, D	15	0	3	3	4
Paul Bissonnette, F	18	0	3	3	48
Damir Sharipzianov, D	38	0	3	3	57
Kevin Gravel, D	6	0	2	2	0
Zach Trotman, D	9	0	2	2	26
Quentin Shore, F	13	1	0	1	2
Matt Luff, F	2	0	1	1	0
Matt Roy, D	8	0	1	1	7
Craig Wyszomirski, D	3	0	0	0	0
Chaz Reddekopp, D	3	0	0	0	4

PROVIDENCE BRUINS (BOS)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jordan Szwarz, F	65	22	32	54	76
Jake DeBrusk, F	74	19	30	49	30
Alex Grant, D	70	17	32	49	36
Wayne Simpson, F	76	16	33	49	10
Danton Heinen, F	64	14	30	44	14
Peter Cehlarik, F	49	20	18	38	20
Colby Cave, F	76	13	22	35	52
Tommy Cross, D	74	12	23	35	69
Matt Grzelcyk, D	70	6	26	32	18
Sean Kuraly, F	54	14	12	26	37
Peter Mueller, F	56	13	12	25	20
Chris Porter, F	67	8	17	25	28
Colton Hargrove, F	67	8	16	24	55
Austin Czarnik, F	22	6	17	23	4
Anton Blidh, F	53	10	6	16	41
Noel Acciari, F	30	6	8	14	11
Rob O'Gara, D	59	4	9	13	30
Chris Casto, D	59	1	11	12	40
Matt Bartkowski, D	34	2	8	10	27
Tyler Randell, F	59	1	9	10	81
Zac Rinaldo, F	29	5	2	7	20
Ben Marshall, D	14	2	4	6	8
Justin Hickman, F	25	2	1	3	19
Chris Breen, D	37	1	2	3	38
Frank Vatrano, F	2	2	0	2	4
Mark Naclerio, F	10	1	1	2	2
Charlie McAvoy, D	4	0	2	2	4
Ryan Fitzgerald, F	8	0	2	2	2
Taylor Doherty, D	10	0	2	2	25
A.J. White, F	12	0	2	2	2
Joe Morrow, D	3	1	0	1	2
Emil Johansson, D	6	0	1	1	4

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Linus Arnesson, D	20	0	1	1	8
Jesse Gabrielle, F	1	0	0	0	0
Shane Bakker, F	2	0	0	0	6
Brock Higgs, F	2	0	0	0	0
Brian Ferlin, F	2	0	0	0	2
Spencer Asuchak, F	3	0	0	0	2

ROCHESTER AMERICANS (BUF)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Cole Schneider, F	71	24	39	63	45
Nick Baptiste, F	59	25	16	41	34
Mat Bodie, D	62	10	29	39	55
Justin Bailey, F	52	23	13	36	35
Evan Rodrigues, F	48	9	21	30	27
Tim Kennedy, F	47	4	25	29	28
Alexander Nylander, F	65	10	18	28	6
Taylor Fedun, D	29	5	18	23	29
Casey Nelson, D	58	7	14	21	24
Derek Grant, F	23	11	8	19	22
Erik Burgdoerfer, D	52	1	16	17	44
Daniel Muzito-Bagenda, F	61	9	6	15	45
Eric Cornel, F	67	5	9	14	29
Patrick Mullen, D	27	4	10	14	22
Kyle Bonis, F	52	10	2	12	10
Hudson Fasching, F	37	8	4	12	8
Brady Austin, D	72	4	8	12	59
Jean Dupuy, F	46	3	9	12	46
Tyson Strachan, D	61	1	11	12	36
Mac Bennett, D	46	3	6	9	15
Paul Geiger, D	49	3	6	9	35
Justin Vaive, F	66	3	6	9	90
Vaclav Karabacek, F	23	3	5	8	4
William Carrier, F	8	3	2	5	6
Mike Aviani, F	13	2	3	5	9
Justin Kea, F	12	2	2	4	18
Alex Kile, F	11	2	1	3	0
Justin Danforth, F	6	2	0	2	4
Brendan Guhle, D	6	1	1	2	2
Brady Vail, F	18	1	1	2	10
Matthew Lane, F	15	0	2	2	2
Ian Brady, D	2	0	1	1	0
Jordan Henry, D	1	0	0	0	0
Troy Crema, F	2	0	0	0	2
Eric Baier, D	2	0	0	0	2
Tyson Fawcett, F	2	0	0	0	2
Alexandre Goulet, F	3	0	0	0	0
Anthony Florentino, D	5	0	0	0	0
Bobby Shea, D	10	0	0	0	7
Justin Falk, D	10	0	0	0	11
Brycen Martin, D	18	0	0	0	12

ROCKFORD ICEHOGS (CHI)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Kyle Baun, F	74	14	20	34	42
Brandon Mashinter, F	61	15	15	30	70
Ville Pokka, D	76	6	24	30	35
Erik Gustafsson, D	68	5	25	30	40
Michael Latta, F	61	5	17	22	128
Martin Lundberg, F	67	9	12	21	30
Tanner Kero, F	28	7	13	20	14
Luke Johnson, F	73	8	9	17	31
Tyler Motte, F	43	10	6	16	20
Jake Dowell, F	66	4	11	15	101
Jeremy Langlois, F	66	8	6	14	13
Carl Dahlstrom, D	70	6	5	11	16
Viktor Svedberg, D	51	2	9	11	70
Nick Schmaltz, F	12	6	3	9	2
Evan Mosey, F	41	4	5	9	15
Robin Norell, D	65	1	8	9	18
Nolan Valleau, D	46	3	5	8	14
Gustav Forsling, D	30	1	7	8	12
Pierre-Cedric Labrie, F	52	1	7	8	96
Tyler Barnes, F	25	4	3	7	4
William Pelletier, F	8	3	4	7	0
Vinnie Hinostroza, F	15	3	4	7	4
Chris DeSousa, F	36	4	1	5	77
Luc Snuggerud, D	13	1	4	5	2
Matheson Iacopelli, F	8	1	3	4	0
Anthony Louis, F	13	1	2	3	4
Jonathan Carlsson, D	2	0	0	0	2
Bryn Chyzyk, F	2	0	0	0	0
Nick Mattson, D	2	0	0	0	2
Radovan Bondra, F	5	0	0	0	2
Robin Press, D	9	0	0	0	2

ST. JOHN'S ICECAPS (MTL)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Chris Terry, F	58	30	38	68	36
Charles Hudon, F	56	27	22	49	52
Nikita Scherbak, F	66	13	28	41	32
Jacob de la Rose, F	62	14	17	31	38
Max Friberg, F	71	11	20	31	18
Daniel Audette, F	75	10	20	30	37
Bobby Farnham, F	71	11	17	28	137
Stefan Matteau, F	67	12	13	25	122
Sven Andrighetto, F	20	8	14	22	8
Joel Hanley, D	65	2	20	22	34
Michael McCarron, F	32	7	12	19	66
Keegan Lowe, D	71	6	12	18	74
Ryan Johnston, D	50	5	13	18	22
Zach Redmond, D	26	4	14	18	8
Mark Barberio, D	20	3	15	18	28
Yannick Veilleux, F	53	6	10	16	59
Brett Lernout, D	74	3	13	16	63
Mark MacMillan, F	58	6	7	13	12
Julien Brouillette, D	57	3	10	13	14
Jeremy Gregoire, F	56	9	3	12	78
Daniel Carr, F	19	6	5	11	2
Markus Eisenschmid, F	39	6	4	10	12
Tom Parisi, D	45	1	8	9	10
David Broll, F	54	5	3	8	115
Anthony Camara, F	23	3	5	8	8
Josiah Didier, D	39	2	6	8	25
Alexandre Ranger, F	15	1	1	2	8
Niki Petti, F	4	1	0	1	0
Brandon MacLean, F	2	0	0	0	0
John McCarron, F	3	0	0	0	2
Connor Crisp, F	7	0	0	0	4

SAN ANTONIO RAMPAGE (COL)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Rocco Grimaldi, F	72	31	24	55	39
Colin Smith, F	73	14	33	47	32
A.J. Greer, F	63	15	23	38	78
Brendan Ranford, F	67	10	24	34	16
Gabriel Bourque, F	61	10	23	33	20
J.T. Compher, F	41	13	17	30	22
Felix Girard, F	73	10	18	28	105
Jim O'Brien, F	53	9	15	24	42
Troy Bourke, F	74	9	15	24	20
Chris Bigras, D	45	5	14	19	37
Garry Nunn, F	53	8	10	18	20
Sergei Boikov, D	63	3	13	16	69
Reid Petryk, F	45	10	5	15	15
Anton Lindholm, D	62	2	11	13	39
Alex Belzile, F	45	5	7	12	39
Eric Gelinas, D	27	3	9	12	14
Sam Henley, F	55	3	6	9	39
Julien Nantel, F	59	5	3	8	10
S. Ouellette-St.Amant, F	28	3	5	8	12
Cody Goloubef, D	18	2	6	8	24
Matt Lashoff, D	19	3	4	7	24
Duncan Siemens, D	73	2	5	7	100
Mat Clark, D	38	1	6	7	29
Sam Jardine, D	27	3	2	5	48
Gus Young, D	29	1	3	4	35
Mason Geertsen, D	36	0	4	4	52
Turner Elson, F	13	1	2	3	12
Mikko Rantanen, F	4	0	2	2	4
Trent Vogelhuber, F	15	0	2	2	8
Trevor Mingoia, F	2	0	0	0	0
Daniel Fick, D	2	0	0	0	2
Josh Atkinson, D	2	0	0	0	0
Justin Hamonic, D	3	0	0	0	0
Jesse Mychan, F	5	0	0	0	0
Thomas Frazee, F	6	0	0	0	0
Brady Shaw, F	6	0	0	0	0
Ben Storm, F	7	0	0	0	0

SAN DIEGO GULLS (ANA)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Corey Tropp, F	62	21	33	54	48
Spencer Abbott, F	69	18	31	49	16
Kalle Kossila, F	65	14	34	48	8
Kevin Roy, F	67	16	30	46	16
Sam Carrick, F	72	14	25	39	105
Antoine Laganiere, F	64	21	16	37	30
Brandon Montour, D	36	13	19	32	34
Andrew Welinski, D	63	6	23	29	16
Jaycob Megna, D	62	5	22	27	37
Jordan Samuels-Thomas, F	56	12	12	24	17
Max Gortz, F	58	5	18	23	23
Nick Sorensen, F	48	10	12	22	38
Shea Theodore, D	26	5	15	20	12
Chris Wagner, F	30	12	7	19	18
Scott Sabourin, F	54	8	9	17	147
Tyler Morley, F	48	5	12	17	14
Keaton Thompson, D	52	4	12	16	29
Nic Kerdiles, F	27	7	8	15	25
Stefan Noesen, F	22	6	9	15	40
Jeff Schultz, D	65	0	15	15	18
Ondrej Kase, F	14	6	6	12	4
Nate Guenin, D	56	2	10	12	28
Ryan Garbutt, F	28	4	6	10	45
Brian Cooper, D	37	4	6	10	10
Zac Larraza, F	17	5	4	9	2
Nick Tarnasky, F	32	4	5	9	53
Logan Shaw, F	15	4	2	6	2
Kyle MacKinnon, F	21	2	4	6	10
Stu Bickel, D	26	2	4	6	148
Austin Ortega, F	6	4	1	5	6
Austen Brassard, F	20	2	2	4	13
Mitch Hults, F	6	1	3	4	0
Kenny Ryan, F	8	2	1	3	2
Jacob Larsson, D	4	0	2	2	2
Emerson Etem, F	1	1	0	1	0
Clayton Stoner, D	3	1	0	1	12
Nate Thompson, F	3	0	1	1	2
Deven Sideroff, F	3	0	1	1	4
James Melindy, D	3	0	1	1	27
Tyler Soy, F	2	0	0	0	0
Joseph Cramarossa, F	2	0	0	0	8
Brandon McNally, F	2	0	0	0	0

SAN JOSE BARRACUDA (SJ)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Daniel O'Regan, F	63	23	35	58	10
Tim Heed, D	55	14	42	56	12
Joakim Ryan, D	65	10	39	49	41
Barclay Goodrow, F	61	25	20	45	55
Ryan Carpenter, F	54	14	25	39	24
Rourke Chartier, F	67	17	18	35	10
Marcus Sorensen, F	43	17	17	34	23
John McCarthy, F	67	19	14	33	26
Buddy Robinson, F	66	17	14	31	71
Julius Bergman, D	64	3	27	30	40
Adam Helewka, F	58	14	15	29	28
Timo Meier, F	33	14	9	23	40
Nikita Jevpalovs, F	65	13	8	21	41
Mirco Mueller, D	62	2	18	20	22
Kevin Labanc, F	19	6	13	19	24
Patrick McNally, D	59	3	12	15	30
Colin Blackwell, F	57	4	7	11	24
Jacob Middleton, D	50	1	8	9	56
Dan Kelly, D	53	1	6	7	116
Jon Martin, F	26	2	3	5	23
Zack Stortini, F	48	3	1	4	116
Alex Schoenborn, F	29	1	3	4	25
Michael Brodzinski, D	9	0	3	3	6
Colby McAuley, F	4	0	2	2	0
Alex Gallant, F	29	0	2	2	126
Nick DeSimone, D	4	1	0	1	0
Noah Rod, F	2	0	1	1	0
Matt Willows, F	1	0	0	0	0
Travis Brown, D	1	0	0	0	2
Jason Fram, D	2	0	0	0	0
Harrison Ruopp, D	3	0	0	0	0
Jake Marchment, F	4	0	0	0	22
Tim Clifton, F	8	0	0	0	0

SPRINGFIELD THUNDERBIRDS (FLA)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Chase Balisy, F	76	17	28	45	26
Paul Thompson, F	51	19	23	42	57
Mackenzie Weegar, D	60	14	22	36	70
Anthony Greco, F	74	16	15	31	41
Dryden Hunt, F	70	13	18	31	65
Jayce Hawryluk, F	47	9	17	26	47
Jared McCann, F	42	11	14	25	55
Kyle Rau, F	48	10	14	24	32
Sena Acolatse, D	68	6	17	23	147
Reece Scarlett, D	51	5	17	22	53
Ryan Horvat, F	47	5	12	17	73
Ian McCoshen, D	68	4	12	16	37
Tim Bozon, F	43	8	7	15	24
Mike Sgarbossa, F	16	5	8	13	16
Josh Brown, D	72	3	10	13	96
Brent Regner, D	28	2	11	13	8
Mike Downing, D	67	2	11	13	65
Matt MacKenzie, D	38	4	8	12	32
Denis Malgin, F	15	3	9	12	14
Juho Lammikko, F	47	6	5	11	24
Brody Sutter, F	19	4	5	9	6
Graham Black, F	33	4	4	8	16
Matt Buckles, F	9	3	4	7	0
Jakub Kindl, D	13	1	6	7	16
Eric Robinson, F	41	1	6	7	10
Stephen MacAulay, F	39	2	4	6	6
Matt Leitner, F	17	0	5	5	10
Zac Lynch, F	21	3	1	4	0
Greg McKegg, F	7	2	2	4	2
Ed Wittchow, D	38	2	2	4	58
Joe Diamond, F	7	1	3	4	5
Thomas Schemitsch, D	37	1	3	4	4
Rihards Bukarts, F	14	0	3	3	4
Tony Turgeon, F	12	2	0	2	21
Rob Hamilton, D	6	0	1	1	0
Teddy Doherty, D	1	0	0	0	0
Colton Saucerman, D	5	0	0	0	4
Jordan Smotherman, F	5	0	0	0	2

STOCKTON HEAT (CGY)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Mark Jankowski, F	64	27	29	56	29
Linden Vey, F	61	15	40	55	40
Morgan Klimchuk, F	66	19	24	43	36
Andrew Mangiapane, F	66	20	21	41	64
Matt Frattin, F	54	18	18	36	18
Hunter Shinkaruk, F	52	15	20	35	20
Ryan Lomberg, F	68	13	16	29	127
Oliver Kylington, D	60	6	21	27	22
Michael Kostka, D	61	3	21	24	36
Brandon Bollig, F	60	11	11	22	136
Rasmus Andersson, D	54	3	19	22	38
Garnet Hathaway, F	31	8	12	20	67
Mike Angelidis, F	49	7	13	20	97
Tyler Wotherspoon, D	56	6	12	18	24
Emile Poirier, F	43	6	11	17	64
Austin Carroll, F	46	7	8	15	40
Daniel Pribyl, F	33	5	10	15	4
Jamie Devane, F	43	4	9	13	77
Kenney Morrison, D	51	4	8	12	36
Mikkel Aagaard, F	25	5	6	11	18
Hunter Smith, F	34	3	8	11	34
Brett Kulak, D	22	2	8	10	14
Matt Bailey, F	17	2	5	7	22
Keith Aulie, D	57	2	5	7	92
Adam Ollas Mattsson, D	9	1	1	2	6
Keegan Kanzig, D	6	0	2	2	19
Kayle Doetzel, D	56	0	2	2	59
Matthew Phillips, F	1	0	1	1	0
Cam Braes, F	1	0	0	0	0
Josh Healey, D	2	0	0	0	0
Ryan Culkin, D	19	0	0	0	4

SYRACUSE CRUNCH (TB)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Cory Conacher, F	56	17	43	60	113
Matt Taormina, D	70	15	45	60	22
Yanni Gourde, F	56	22	26	48	54
Erik Condra, F	55	15	33	48	37
Byron Froese, F	54	27	19	46	22
Matthew Peca, F	68	12	29	41	14
Tanner Richard, F	47	14	20	34	50
Joel Vermin, F	46	13	19	32	17
Adam Erne, F	42	14	15	29	42
Mike Halmo, F	69	16	12	28	100
Ben Thomas, D	71	3	18	21	30
Tye McGinn, F	21	10	9	19	16
Michael Bournival, F	38	9	10	19	18
Adam Comrie, D	55	8	11	19	33
Henri Ikonen, F	54	6	11	17	27
Daniel Walcott, D	55	4	11	15	68
Jake Dotchin, D	35	4	9	13	105
Mathieu Brodeur, D	56	3	10	13	57
Slater Koekkoek, D	48	2	11	13	14
Gabriel Dumont, F	20	5	5	10	24
Dylan Blujus, D	23	1	7	8	16
Kevin Lynch, F	37	5	2	7	18
Brian Hart, F	33	3	4	7	26
Cameron Darcy, F	34	3	4	7	14
John Kurtz, F	17	5	1	6	31
Dominik Masin, D	69	3	3	6	73
Jonathan Racine, D	55	1	5	6	136
Luke Witkowski, D	19	0	5	5	59
Brett Howden, F	5	3	1	4	2
Stefan Fournier, F	32	2	2	4	97
David Pacan, F	6	0	2	2	0
Libor Hajek, D	8	1	0	1	4
Cory Ward, F	2	0	1	1	2
Mike McNamee, F	12	0	1	1	2
Daniel Doremus, F	1	0	0	0	0
Kevin Morris, F	2	0	0	0	5
Dennis Yan, F	3	0	0	0	2
Olivier Labelle, F	6	0	0	0	4

TEXAS STARS (DAL)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Travis Morin, F	72	21	34	55	42
Matej Stransky, F	76	27	20	47	60
Brandon DeFazio, F	76	22	25	47	45
Mark McNeill, F	79	9	30	39	29
Gemel Smith, F	53	12	21	33	44
Julius Honka, D	50	7	24	31	59
Jason Dickinson, F	58	9	21	30	41
Remi Elie, F	53	9	19	28	37
Justin Dowling, F	49	8	20	28	8
Ethan Werek, F	55	13	14	27	53
Denis Gurianov, F	57	12	15	27	15
Matt Mangene, D	66	8	19	27	47
Andrew Bodnarchuk, D	69	5	21	26	69
Nick Ebert, D	68	9	16	25	40
Cole Ully, F	61	13	11	24	29
Ludwig Bystrom, D	55	2	14	16	20
Mike McMurtry, F	47	7	8	15	26
Darren Dietz, D	52	6	8	14	61
Dillon Heatherington, D	60	3	11	14	51
Caleb Herbert, F	35	8	5	13	27
Austin Fyten, F	59	6	6	12	79
Dustin Stevenson, D	59	2	4	6	119
Gavin Bayreuther, D	15	2	3	5	6
Allan McPherson, F	29	1	3	4	14
Stephen Johns, D	2	3	0	3	0
Patrik Nemeth, D	4	1	2	3	2
Nicholas Caamano, F	6	0	3	3	2
Brandon Anselmini, D	10	0	3	3	6
Bryce Van Brabant, F	21	1	1	2	41
Reid Sturos, F	9	0	2	2	2
Brandon Alderson, F	13	0	2	2	8
Justin Hache, D	17	0	2	2	28
Angelo Miceli, F	1	0	1	1	2
Esa Lindell, D	2	0	1	1	0
Ondrej Vala, D	3	0	1	1	0
Travis Ewanyk, F	1	0	0	0	19
Will Merchant, F	1	0	0	0	0
Joe Houk, D	1	0	0	0	0
Aaron Harstad, D	2	0	0	0	0
Chris Martenet, D	3	0	0	0	2
Joe Faust, D	4	0	0	0	2
Brendan O'Donnell, F	6	0	0	0	0

TORONTO MARLIES (TOR)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Kerby Rychel, F	73	19	33	52	118
Brendan Leipsic, F	49	18	33	51	30
Cal O'Reilly, F	62	9	41	50	10
Andreas Johnsson, F	75	20	27	47	42
Seth Griffith, F	38	10	34	44	36
Kasperi Kapanen, F	43	18	25	43	16
Andrew Nielsen, D	74	14	25	39	82
Mike Sislo, F	72	14	23	37	26
Trevor Moore, F	57	13	20	33	18
Dmytro Timashov, F	63	11	13	24	32
Brett Findlay, F	34	10	14	24	8
Colin Greening, F	69	10	14	24	49
Travis Dermott, D	59	5	19	24	60
Andrew Campbell, D	75	6	16	22	62
Justin Holl, D	72	8	11	19	30
Tobias Lindberg, F	44	6	10	16	34
Steve Oleksy, D	36	4	10	14	55
Frederik Gauthier, F	46	4	9	13	14
Rinat Valiev, D	47	3	10	13	79
Richard Clune, F	37	3	7	10	87
William Wrenn, D	39	3	6	9	16
Brooks Laich, F	27	1	8	9	12
Tony Cameranesi, F	31	4	3	7	8
Milan Michalek, F	16	2	3	5	20
PL Letourneau-Leblond, F	38	1	4	5	128
Sergey Kalinin, F	19	2	2	4	9
Nikita Soshnikov, F	6	1	2	3	6
Eric Faille, F	11	1	2	3	0
Marc-Andre Cliche, F	16	1	2	3	6
Daniel Maggio, F	4	1	1	2	9
Brenden Miller, D	2	1	0	1	0
Mason Marchment, F	9	1	0	1	6
Nikolas Brouillard, D	1	0	0	0	0
Ty Stanton, D	3	0	0	0	0
Shane Conacher, F	3	0	0	0	0
Alex Gudbranson, D	4	0	0	0	2
Willie Corrin, D	4	0	0	0	2
Josh Leivo, F	5	0	0	0	6

TUCSON ROADRUNNERS (ARI)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Chris Mueller, F	68	19	48	67	48
Christian Fischer, F	57	20	27	47	28
Kyle Wood, D	68	14	29	43	16
Jamie McBain, D	64	8	35	43	48
Joe Whitney, F	74	14	22	36	49
Jeremy Morin, F	63	16	14	30	45
Laurent Dauphin, F	38	17	11	28	44
Michael Bunting, F	67	13	15	28	52
Grayson Downing, F	59	9	17	26	15
Tyler Gaudet, F	62	6	16	22	36
Brendan Perlini, F	17	14	5	19	14
David Musil, D	60	4	14	18	40
Ryan MacInnis, F	68	8	9	17	50
Anthony DeAngelo, D	25	3	13	16	31
Zbynek Michalek, D	43	6	8	14	32
Conor Garland, F	55	5	9	14	37
Craig Cunningham, F	11	4	9	13	6
Dakota Mermis, D	67	2	10	12	75
Branden Troock, F	30	4	7	11	15
Brandon Burlon, D	33	3	8	11	39
Jarred Tinordi, D	64	1	10	11	102
Eric Selleck, F	46	5	4	9	103
Mitch Moroz, F	41	4	5	9	46
Anthony Duclair, F	16	1	7	8	4
Hunter Fejes, F	19	1	4	5	21
Lindsay Sparks, F	22	1	3	4	12
Garret Ross, F	27	1	3	4	39
Trevor Cheek, F	23	0	4	4	10
Kevin Connauton, D	2	1	2	3	2
Dysin Mayo, D	25	1	2	3	0
Jalen Smereck, D	2	1	1	2	0
Mark Cooper, F	10	0	2	2	4
Kyle Capobianco, D	4	0	0	0	0
Matia Marcantuoni, F	7	0	0	0	6

UTICA COMETS (VAN)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Darren Archibald, F	76	23	24	47	58
Curtis Valk, F	75	16	30	46	49
Nikolay Goldobin, F	49	19	26	45	16
Alexandre Grenier, F	69	17	28	45	52
Cody Kunyk, F	61	15	22	37	16
Jordan Subban, D	65	16	20	36	36
Colby Robak, D	70	3	30	33	60
Pascal Pelletier, F	52	10	18	28	20
Borna Rendulic, F	69	12	11	23	30
Evan McEneny, D	64	8	15	23	20
Carter Bancks, F	69	10	12	22	27
Chad Billins, D	72	3	17	20	16
Jake Virtanen, F	65	9	10	19	48
Wacey Hamilton, F	67	9	10	19	93
Mike Zalewski, F	54	5	13	18	36
Michael Carcone, F	61	5	13	18	31
Joseph LaBate, F	38	6	10	16	80
Michael Chaput, F	10	2	11	13	10
Cole Cassels, F	66	6	5	11	33
Andrey Pedan, D	52	5	5	10	100
David Shields, D	48	0	10	10	8
Marco Roy, F	23	1	5	6	6
Derek Hulak, F	17	4	1	5	4
John Negrin, D	22	0	5	5	12
Ashton Sautner, D	47	0	5	5	30
Emerson Clark, F	12	2	2	4	9
Brendan Gaunce, F	4	2	1	3	2
Jayson Megna, F	4	1	2	3	0
Tom Nilsson, D	17	0	3	3	10
Phil DeSimone, F	8	1	0	1	2
Anton Rodin, F	3	0	1	1	0
Troy Stecher, D	4	0	1	1	4
Yan-Pavel Laplante, F	13	0	1	1	9
Alex Biega, D	1	0	0	0	2
Luke Pither, F	1	0	0	0	0
Alex Wall, D	2	0	0	0	0

WILKES-BARRE/SCRANTON PENGUINS (PIT)

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Tom Kostopoulos, F	74	24	30	54	49
David Warsofsky, D	58	16	31	47	32
Oskar Sundqvist, F	63	20	26	46	52
Dominik Simon, F	70	15	31	46	18
Kevin Porter, F	69	11	35	46	50
Jake Guentzel, F	33	21	21	42	12
Jean-Sebastien Dea, F	73	18	16	34	59
Garrett Wilson, F	59	11	20	31	83
Teddy Blueger, F	54	7	24	31	20
Josh Archibald, F	61	16	13	29	54
Ryan Haggerty, F	58	11	12	23	46
Derrick Pouliot, D	46	7	16	23	26
Carter Rowney, F	26	10	11	21	15
Sahir Gill, F	44	6	12	18	12
Tim Erixon, D	54	4	13	17	24
Tom Sestito, F	33	6	10	16	121
Chad Ruhwedel, D	28	4	12	16	12
Frank Corrado, D	35	2	14	16	20
Ethan Prow, D	59	1	15	16	24
Cameron Gaunce, D	49	2	11	13	38
Barry Goers, D	37	4	8	12	8
Jarrett Burton, F	39	7	4	11	39
Zach Aston-Reese, F	10	3	5	8	7
Stuart Percy, D	37	1	7	8	18
Adam Krause, F	14	3	4	7	4
Reid Gardiner, F	23	3	3	6	4
Lukas Bengtsson, D	16	1	5	6	6
Patrick McGrath, F	30	1	3	4	89
Thomas Di Pauli, F	21	2	0	2	20
Troy Josephs, F	13	1	1	2	10
Brett Stern, D	17	0	2	2	6
Cody Wydo, F	3	1	0	1	0
Dylan Zink, D	1	0	0	0	0
Kevin Schulze, D	1	0	0	0	2
Ryan Segalla, D	1	0	0	0	4
Christian Hilbrich, F	6	0	0	0	0
Jeff Taylor, D	6	0	0	0	0
Nick Sorkin, F	8	0	0	0	0

GOALTENDING STATISTICS

Albany	GP	Min.	W	GAA	SP
Scott Wedgewood	10	550	5	2.18	.912
Mackenzie Blackwood	36	2,048	17	2.55	.907
Ken Appleby	32	1,917	17	2.63	.903
J.P. Anderson	1	59	0	4.07	.857
Bakersfield	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jonas Gustavsson	20	1,114	8	2.42	.917
Laurent Brossoit	21	1,189	9	2.67	.908
Nick Ellis	34	1,781	16	2.69	.918
Binghamton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Chris Driedger	34	1,918	12	3.22	.900
Matt O'Connor	37	2,064	14	3.23	.895
Andrew Hammond	5	297	2	3.24	.884
Marcus Hogberg	3	180	0	4.34	.865
Scott Greenham	3	102	0	7.09	.765
Bridgeport	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jaroslav Halak	27	1,536	17	2.15	.925
Christopher Gibson	7	380	6	2.52	.912
Eamon McAdam	26	1,407	15	2.90	.897
Stephon Williams	24	1,265	6	3.08	.891
Charlotte	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
C.J. Motte	2	80	1	0.75	.976
Eddie Lack	2	120	1	1.50	.952
Tom McCollum	17	1,030	11	2.10	.926
Michael Leighton	23	1,326	11	2.17	.921
Daniel Altshuller	15	729	7	2.88	.907
Alex Nedeljkovic	25	1,287	8	3.40	.881
Chicago	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Pheonix Copley	25	1,452	15	2.31	.920
Ville Husso	22	1,267	13	2.37	.920
Jordan Binnington	32	1,879	16	2.71	.911
Cleveland	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Anton Forsberg	51	2,977	27	2.28	.926
Brad Thiessen	12	666	5	2.34	.924
Joonas Korpisalo	16	935	7	2.69	.907
Michael Houser	1	20	0	3.00	.750
Grand Rapids	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Cal Heeter	12	724	10	2.07	.933
Jimmy Howard	4	227	3	2.11	.920
Jared Coreau	33	1,979	19	2.33	.917
Eddie Pasquale	29	1,654	15	2.43	.919
Hartford	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Magnus Hellberg	36	1,990	12	2.95	.903
Brandon Halverson	26	1,443	9	3.45	.887
Chris Nell	4	239	1	4.02	.881
Jeff Malcolm	5	232	0	4.66	.865
Mackenzie Skapski	13	660	2	4.73	.856
Hershey	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Pheonix Copley	16	920	11	2.15	.931
Vitek Vanecek	39	2,147	18	2.54	.909
Parker Milner	5	232	3	2.84	.913
Joe Cannata	22	1,265	11	3.22	.876
Iowa	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Alex Stalock	50	2,871	23	2.28	.926
Steve Michalek	30	1,690	13	2.63	.919
Lehigh Valley	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Martin Ouellette	4	170	3	1.06	.968
Alex Lyon	47	2,719	27	2.74	.912
Anthony Stolarz	29	1,645	18	2.92	.911
Mark Dekanich	1	33	0	9.10	.839
Manitoba	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Ondrej Pavelec	18	1,059	8	2.78	.917
Eric Comrie	51	2,920	19	2.96	.906
Jamie Phillips	11	585	2	2.97	.906
Milwaukee	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Mark Visentin	1	65	0	1.85	.944
Juuse Saros	15	903	13	1.86	.934
Marek Mazanec	47	2,789	27	2.65	.912
Jonas Gunnarsson	16	820	3	3.29	.878
Ontario	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jack Campbell	52	3,072	31	2.52	.914
Jeff Zatkoff	8	458	2	3.01	.900
Jonah Imoo	2	108	0	3.32	.872
Anders Lindback	4	247	2	3.40	.870
Jack Flinn	5	211	1	3.41	.874
Providence	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Zane McIntyre	31	1,777	21	2.03	.930
Malcolm Subban	32	1,789	11	2.41	.917
Dan Vladar	8	390	4	2.62	.921
Anton Khudobin	11	626	7	2.69	.896
Rochester	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jonas Johansson	7	421	3	2.85	.892
Linus Ullmark	55	3,202	26	2.87	.909
John Muse	14	741	3	3.08	.907
Jason Kasdorf	3	177	0	5.75	.828
Rockford	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jeff Glass	20	1,165	8	2.63	.914
Lars Johansson	39	2,116	12	2.75	.907
Mac Carruth	24	1,171	5	3.64	.879
Jake Hildebrand	3	131	0	4.58	.868
San Antonio	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jeremy Smith	17	841	5	2.57	.911
Spencer Martin	50	2,812	19	2.90	.904
Kent Simpson	9	486	1	3.33	.892
Joe Cannata	6	316	2	3.60	.872
Nathan Lieuwen	2	78	0	3.83	.792
San Diego	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jhonas Enroth	18	1,077	14	1.73	.936
Kevin Boyle	19	1,111	10	2.27	.924
Dustin Tokarski	27	1,578	17	2.93	.898
Matt Hackett	7	340	2	3.35	.898
San Jose	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Troy Grosenick	49	2,729	30	2.04	.926
Mantas Armalis	24	1,256	12	3.06	.885
Clarke Saunders	2	117	1	4.11	.871
Springfield	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Adam Wilcox	13	713	7	2.02	.932
Sam Brittain	10	546	4	2.42	.905
Reto Berra	31	1,758	12	2.53	.910
Mike McKenna	26	1,550	9	2.83	.907
St. John's	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Zachary Fucale	3	178	1	2.36	.919
Charlie Lindgren	48	2,860	24	2.56	.914
Yann Danis	25	1,487	11	2.99	.902
Bryan Pitton	1	59	0	4.06	.789
Stockton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Tom McCollum	1	40	1	1.50	.950
David Rittich	31	1,774	15	2.27	.924
Jon Gillies	39	2,215	18	2.93	.910
Mason McDonald	1	63	0	5.75	.818
Syracuse	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Kristers Gudlevskis	37	1,947	15	2.65	.897
Adam Wilcox	34	1,842	18	2.87	.895
Mike McKenna	14	796	5	2.87	.901
Texas	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Philippe Desrosiers	8	373	3	2.73	.910
Justin Peters	31	1,760	13	3.10	.888
Landon Bow	16	870	7	3.17	.894
Maxime Lagace	32	1,567	11	3.56	.883
Toronto	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Kasimir Kaskisuo	7	391	5	1.84	.934
Jeff Glass	2	117	1	2.05	.917
Garret Sparks	31	1,774	21	2.16	.922
Jhonas Enroth	3	178	2	3.03	.904
Antoine Bibeau	32	1,892	13	3.08	.894
Karri Ramo	3	174	0	3.80	.880
Tucson	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Adin Hill	40	2,243	16	3.16	.906
Marek Langhamer	25	1,267	8	3.36	.902
Justin Peters	12	590	5	4.17	.868
Utica	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Richard Bachman	27	1,584	13	2.65	.908
Thatcher Demko	45	2,555	22	2.68	.907
Michael Garteig	8	419	0	3.01	.897
Wilkes-Barre/Scranton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Casey DeSmith	29	1,731	21	2.01	.926
Tristan Jarry	45	2,707	28	2.15	.925
Doug Carr	2	80	1	3.00	.897
Sean Maguire	1	60	1	4.00	.846

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

EASTERN CONFERENCE

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Peterborough	68	42	21	2	3	239	221	89
Oshawa	68	40	23	3	2	228	215	85
Kingston	68	33	26	5	4	179	200	75
Hamilton	68	33	27	4	4	238	225	74
Ottawa	68	26	34	7	1	221	271	60

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Mississauga	68	34	21	6	7	240	219	81
Sudbury	68	27	34	7	0	207	265	61
Niagara	68	23	35	6	4	207	274	56
North Bay	68	24	38	4	2	192	261	54
Barrie	68	17	44	6	1	192	291	41

WESTERN CONFERENCE

MIDWEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Erie	68	50	15	2	1	319	182	103
Owen Sound	68	49	15	2	2	297	177	102
London	68	46	15	3	4	289	194	99
Kitchener	68	36	27	3	2	244	251	77
Guelph	68	21	40	5	2	202	297	49

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
S. Ste. Marie	68	48	16	3	1	287	208	100
Windsor	68	41	19	5	3	232	185	90
Flint	68	32	28	3	5	229	242	72
Sarnia	68	31	30	6	1	257	277	69
Saginaw	68	27	32	7	2	204	248	63

*Teams receive one point for an overtime loss (OL) and a shootout loss (SL).

REGULAR SEASON SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Alex DeBrincat, Erie (Chi)	63	65	62	127
2.	Taylor Raddysh, Erie (TB)	58	42	67	109
3.	Adam Mascherin, Kit (Fla)	65	35	65	100
4.	Petrus Palmu, OS (Van)	62	40	58	98
5.	Nick Suzuki, OS (Veg)	65	45	51	96
6.	Jordan Kyrou, Sar (StL)	66	30	64	94
7.	Ryan Moore, Flnt	68	39	51	90
8.	Cliff Pu, Lon (Buf)	63	35	51	86
9.	Kole Sherwood, Flnt (Clb)	60	33	52	85
10.	Kevin Hancock, OS	68	30	55	85
11.	Artur Tyanulin, Ott	67	24	61	85
12.	Jeremy Bracco, Kit/Wsr (Tor)	57	25	58	83
13.	Jason Robertson, Kgn (Dal)	68	42	39	81
14.	Darren Raddysh, Erie	62	16	65	81
15.	Bobby MacIntyre, SSM	63	28	52	80
16.	Owen Tippett, Mis (Fla)	60	44	31	75
17.	Dylan Strome, Erie (Ari)	35	22	53	75
18.	Jonah Gadjovich, OS (Van)	60	46	28	74
19.	Michael McLeod, Mis (NJ)	57	27	46	73
20.	Santino Centorame, OS	68	7	66	73
21.	Dmitry Sokolov, Sby (Min)	64	48	24	72
22.	JJ Piccinich, Lon (Tor)	66	26	45	71
23.	Brett McKenzie, NB (Van)	67	29	38	67
24.	Hayden Hodgson, Sag	67	38	28	66
25.	Robert Thomas, Lon (StL)	66	16	50	66

REGULAR SEASON GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Tyler Parsons, Lon (Cgy)	34	2.37	.925
2.	Matthew Villalta, SSM (LA)	33	2.41	.918
3.	Michael DiPietro, Wsr (Van)	51	2.35	.917
4.	Jeremy Brodeur, Osh	51	2.84	.916
5.	Dylan Wells, Pbo (Edm)	52	3.07	.916
6.	Michael McNiven, OS (Mtl)	54	2.30	.915
7.	Stephen Dhillon, Nia	59	3.46	.914
8.	Jeremy Helvig, Kgn (Car)	59	2.72	.907
9.	Jacob Ingham, Mis	31	2.69	.907
10.	Zack Bowman, Sby	26	3.47	.904

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MEMORIAL CUP CHAMPIONS

WINDSOR SPITFIRES

PLAYOFF SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Alex DeBrincat, Erie (Chi)	22	13	25	38
2.	Dylan Strome, Erie (Ari)	22	14	20	34
3.	Anthony Cirelli, Erie (TB)	22	15	16	31
4.	Taylor Raddysh, Erie (TB)	22	12	19	31
5.	Michael McLeod, Mis (NJ)	20	11	16	27
6.	Warren Foegele, Erie (Car)	22	13	13	26
7.	Spencer Watson, Mis (LA)	20	15	10	25
8.	Nick Suzuki, OS (Veg)	17	8	14	22
9.	Darren Raddysh, Erie	22	8	14	22
10.	Petrus Palmu, OS (Van)	17	13	8	21

PLAYOFF GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Joseph Raaymakers, SSM	10	1.95	.942
2.	Dylan Wells, Pbg (Edm)	12	2.51	.930
3.	Tyler Parsons, Lon (Cgy)	14	2.69	.922
4.	Matthew Mancina, Mis	14	2.28	.918
5.	Michael DiPietro, Wsr (Van)	7	2.48	.917

BARRIE COLTS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Anthony Stefano	62	22	34	56	26
Lucas Chiodo	68	22	31	53	10
Zachary Magwood	64	19	19	38	30
Roy Radke	45	23	13	36	30
Ben Hawerchuk	57	15	16	31	99
Jason Willms	68	13	11	24	29
Tom Hedberg	56	4	20	24	21
Justin Murray	66	2	22	24	79
Giordano Finoro	58	13	10	23	14
Kade Landry	61	1	22	23	47
Kirill Nizhnikov	43	12	7	19	37
Joey Keane	67	1	18	19	61
Jason Smith	67	6	11	17	23
Tyler Tucker	62	1	13	14	51
Aidan Brown	61	4	6	10	56
Curtis Douglas	53	4	5	9	19
Kyle Heitzner	52	5	2	7	37
Jaden Peca	56	1	6	7	20
Robert Proner	50	2	4	6	51
Christopher Cameron	43	1	4	5	38

ERIE OTTERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Alex DeBrincat (Chi)	63	65	62	127	49
Taylor Raddysh (TB)	58	42	67	109	37
Darren Raddysh	62	16	65	81	63
Dylan Strome (Ari)	35	22	53	75	18
Anthony Cirelli (TB)	51	25	39	64	12
Kyle Maksimovich	64	16	48	64	26
Warren Foegele (Car)	61	27	36	63	40
Ivan Lodnia (Min)	66	24	33	57	24
Kyle Pettit	66	26	28	54	20
Jordan Sambrook (Det)	61	15	25	40	61
TJ Fergus	68	3	30	33	60
Christian Girhiny	68	12	13	25	20
Erik Cernak (TB)	50	3	18	21	53
Gera Poddubnyi	65	9	11	20	10
Patrick Fellows	48	8	9	17	27
Shaun Bily	36	4	7	11	7
Josh Wainman	42	1	9	10	6
Owen Headrick	26	4	4	8	10
Cameron Lizotte	49	2	5	7	62
Mitchell Byrne	62	2	5	7	31
Carson Edwardson	36	2	2	4	43
Cade Robinson	44	0	2	2	6
Ryan Martin	34	0	1	1	0
Aidan Timmermans	1	0	0	0	0
Jack Duff	2	0	0	0	6
Mitchell Webb	2	0	0	0	2
Riley MacRae	3	0	0	0	0
Haydn Hopkins	4	0	0	0	0
Taylor Egan	5	0	0	0	2

FLINT FIREBIRDS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Ryan Moore	68	39	51	90	57
Kole Sherwood (Clb)	60	33	52	85	60
Nicholas Caamano (Dal)	67	35	29	64	63
Mathieu Henderson	68	10	44	54	36
Jalen Smereck (Ari)	60	9	36	45	62
Maurizio Colella	65	18	23	41	32
Everett Clark	65	16	23	39	63
Alex Peters	68	10	24	34	76
Ty Dellandrea	57	13	11	24	26
C.J. Clarke	56	9	15	24	19
Luke Kirwan	31	14	8	22	10
Jake Durham	66	10	6	16	38
Dennis Busby	62	2	14	16	20
Fedor Gordeev (Tor)	64	4	10	14	45
Hunter Holmes	67	5	8	13	14
Cullen Mercer	37	5	4	9	16
Jack Phibbs	54	2	5	7	4
Hakon Nilsen	43	3	3	6	16
Dane Johnstone	35	0	5	5	10
Ryan Littlejohn	42	1	2	3	39
Jacob Collins	61	1	1	2	20
Samuel Duchesne	44	0	2	2	34
Michal Steinocher	40	1	0	1	19
Keenan Reynolds	3	0	0	0	0

GUELPH STORM

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Ryan Merkley	62	12	43	55	50
Isaac Ratcliffe (Phi)	67	28	26	54	65
Givani Smith (Det)	64	26	18	44	139
James McEwan	58	19	20	39	44
Albert Michnac	65	15	24	39	25
Garrett McFadden	58	12	25	37	44
Nate Schnarr (Ari)	54	18	18	36	27
Matt Hotchkiss	64	14	15	29	48
Liam Hawel (Dal)	66	9	19	28	40
Luke Burghardt	53	9	11	20	51
Dmitri Samorukov (Edm)	67	4	16	20	41
Cedric Ralph	56	8	8	16	6
Nick Deakin-Poot	52	7	8	15	32
Liam Stevens	64	7	8	15	21
Kyle Rhodes	65	3	11	14	46
Nic Sicoly	66	2	9	11	15
Jake Bricknell	26	5	4	9	46
Barret Kirwin	55	5	4	9	8
Austin Hall	20	1	6	7	4
Luke Moncada	37	0	5	5	16
Nolan Makkonen	28	1	3	4	12
Quinn Hanna	37	1	3	4	9
Levi Tetrault	31	0	2	2	15
Brock Philips	9	0	1	1	16

HAMILTON BULLDOGS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Matthew Strome (Phi)	66	34	28	62	62
Will Bitten (Mtl)	65	23	34	57	36
Michael Cramarossa	67	21	36	57	41
Matt Luff (LA)	45	25	24	49	33
Brandon Saigeon	66	21	28	49	36
Niki Petti	51	20	29	49	34
Benjamin Gleason	66	6	33	39	37
Justin Lemcke	66	9	28	37	96
Marian Studenic (NJ)	58	18	12	30	23
Connor Walters	66	3	24	27	33
MacKenzie Entwistle (Ari)	54	12	13	25	25
Luke Kutkevicius	66	6	16	22	17
Jack Hanley	68	3	19	22	30
Cole Candella (Van)	65	3	17	20	32
Connor Roberts	63	8	7	15	29
Zachary Jackson	53	3	12	15	11
Isaac Nurse	54	2	6	8	24
Stephen Templeton	58	2	6	8	49
Ben Garagan	45	1	4	5	29
Ondrej Kachyna	13	1	1	2	0
Riley McCourt	9	1	0	1	6
Reilly Webb (Det)	12	0	1	1	5
Owen Burnell	2	0	0	0	0

KINGSTON FRONTENACS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jason Robertson (Dal)	68	42	39	81	29
Stephen Desrocher	65	12	39	51	30
Linus Nyman	68	26	24	50	14
Eemeli Rasanen (Tor)	66	6	33	39	41
Ted Nichol	68	18	20	38	28
Nathan Dunkley	58	6	25	31	41
Brett Neumann	68	13	13	26	16
Sam Harding	68	8	14	22	28
Cody Caron	46	8	13	21	69
Ryan Cranford	66	8	8	16	31
Nathan Billitier	61	4	10	14	20
Sergey Popov	65	4	7	11	18
Jacob Paquette (Nsh)	59	1	9	10	36
Liam Murray	68	2	7	9	73
Tyler Burnie	52	4	2	6	10
Justin Pringle	63	3	3	6	10
Jakob Brahaney	53	1	4	5	17
Sam Field	45	1	3	4	47
Josh Supryka	19	1	0	1	2
Austin Grzenia	8	0	1	1	0
Emmett Gordon	18	0	1	1	2
Cal Davis	28	0	1	1	7
Colin Van Den Hurk	5	0	0	0	0
Jake O'Donnell	20	0	0	0	2

KITCHENER RANGERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Adam Mascherin (Fla)	65	35	65	100	20
Joseph Garreffa	68	25	35	60	18
Connor Bunnaman (Phi)	64	37	15	52	30
Darby Llewellyn	59	23	20	43	61
Greg Meireles	66	17	25	42	33
Dylan Di Perna	65	9	29	38	56
Cole Carter	58	14	19	33	16
Nick McHugh	58	13	10	23	35
Jake Henderson	64	6	17	23	37
Riley Damiani	62	9	13	22	29
Frank Hora	53	5	17	22	55
Giovanni Vallati	59	5	16	21	32
Dylan Seitz	60	8	10	18	72
Elijah Roberts	65	4	14	18	39
Cedric Schiemenz	49	3	6	9	10
Andrew Burns	65	0	9	9	37
Kyle Gentles	60	1	7	8	31
Eric Guest	43	2	4	6	10
Doug Blaisdell	15	1	5	6	7
Jonathan Yantsis	24	3	2	5	10
Connor Hall (Pit)	17	1	2	3	35
Liam Peyton	1	1	0	1	0
Alex Peterson	33	1	0	1	8

LONDON KNIGHTS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Cliff Pu (Buf)	63	35	51	86	36
JJ Piccinich (Tor)	66	26	45	71	24
Robert Thomas (StL)	66	16	50	66	26
Janne Kuokkanen (Car)	60	26	36	62	14
Sam Miletic	65	37	18	55	23
Mitchell Stephens (TB)	51	22	31	53	26
Mitchell Vande Sompel (NYI)	67	20	33	53	35
Victor Mete (Mtl)	50	15	30	45	14
Evan Bouchard	68	11	33	44	24
Olli Juolevi (Van)	58	10	33	43	36
Owen MacDonald	61	16	21	37	34
Max Jones (Ana)	33	17	19	36	65
Alex Formenton (Ott)	65	16	18	34	50
Adrian Carbonara	63	12	21	33	97
Brandon Crawley (NYR)	61	7	20	27	114
Dante Salituro (Min)	30	11	11	22	18
Liam Foudy	58	9	6	15	19
Cole Tymkin	45	2	6	8	71
Nicolas Mattinen (Tor)	66	2	6	8	75
Josh Nelson	39	4	2	6	8
Brady Pataki	30	1	3	4	8
Richard Whittaker	11	1	2	3	4
Billy Moskal	13	0	2	2	6
Jacob Golden (Min)	38	0	2	2	0
Noah Bennett	2	1	0	1	0
Alex Turko	10	0	1	1	4
Justin Badour	1	0	0	0	0
Harrison Cottam	4	0	0	0	0
Riley Coome	6	0	0	0	4

MISSISSAUGA STEELHEADS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Owen Tippett (Fla)	60	44	31	75	36
Michael McLeod (NJ)	57	27	46	73	49
Spencer Watson (LA)	41	28	25	53	12
Nicolas Hague (Veg)	65	18	28	46	107
Nathan Bastian (NJ)	58	16	29	45	43
Ryan McLeod	68	9	33	42	36
Stefan LeBlanc	66	7	30	37	101
Trent Fox	64	13	19	32	72
Jacob Moverare (LA)	63	2	30	32	20
Jacob Cascagnette	63	19	12	31	50
Vili Saarijarvi (Det)	34	11	20	31	14
Brendan Harrogate	45	16	7	23	30
Shaw Boomhower	60	7	10	17	102
Aidan McFarland	67	8	8	16	17
Scoley Dow	46	5	7	12	24
Stephen Gibson	65	3	7	10	46
Damian Bourne	27	3	6	9	29
Austin Osmanski (Buf)	55	2	6	8	74
Michael Little	48	1	7	8	26
Matthew Titus	51	3	2	5	11
Marcus Dickerson	52	2	3	5	33
Jake Ramalho	40	0	4	4	24
Jeremey Goodwin	28	1	0	1	18
Chris Taylor	4	0	0	0	4
Ryan Wells	6	0	0	0	0
Brandon Yeamans	6	0	0	0	7

NIAGARA ICEDOGS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Johnny Corneil	67	31	31	62	32
Ryan Mantha (Edm)	65	17	41	58	70
Ben Jones (Veg)	63	13	37	50	56
Akil Thomas	61	21	27	48	17
Oliver Castleman	66	18	22	40	20
Kirill Maksimov (Edm)	66	21	17	38	41
Danial Singer	65	13	14	27	20
Kyle Langdon	60	12	14	26	94
Ondrej Machala	56	8	17	25	20
Justin Brack	67	5	18	23	35
Matthew Philip	45	11	10	21	10
Aaron Haydon	50	8	7	15	65
Johnathon Schaefer	62	1	13	14	33
William Lochead	52	4	6	10	88
Liam Ham	55	2	8	10	47
Drew Hunter	51	1	7	8	29
Pavel Demin	57	4	3	7	28
Joshua Dame	61	2	5	7	27
Justin MacPherson	40	1	6	7	18
Austin Clapham	25	0	4	4	10
Bradey Johnson	35	0	4	4	2
Andrew Somerville	11	0	2	2	2
Jack Wieringa	2	0	0	0	0
Nick Pastorious	4	0	0	0	7
Ryan Smith	18	0	0	0	14

NORTH BAY BATTALION

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Brett McKenzie (Van)	67	29	38	67	60
Steve Harland	68	27	38	65	10
Justin Brazeau	67	22	15	37	10

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Adam Thilander	64	6	29	35	20
Daniil Vertiy	61	14	15	29	22
Zach Poirier	64	15	13	28	76
Zach Shankar	67	4	24	28	120
Brady Lyle	58	4	21	25	16
Adam McMaster	61	5	19	24	6
Kyle Potts	68	12	8	20	40
Brett Hargrave	61	15	3	18	21
Mark Shoemaker (SJ)	68	0	16	16	22
Brad Chenier	68	7	8	15	60
Cam Dineen (Ari)	29	6	8	14	8
Max Kislinger	35	6	6	12	28
Jesse Saban	61	0	11	11	62
Jacob Ball	42	4	6	10	12
Rhys Forhan	44	2	4	6	2
Riley Bruce	41	1	5	6	58
Daniel Walker	56	0	5	5	56
Andy Baker	10	2	1	3	0
Dayton Murray	4	0	2	2	0
Eric Allair	16	0	2	2	20
Brett Hahkala	5	1	0	1	0
Alex Robert	6	1	0	1	0
David Sherman	2	0	1	1	0
Eric Nagy	10	0	1	1	4
Bo Peltier	5	0	0	0	0

OSHAWA GENERALS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Domenic Commisso	68	19	44	63	36
Eric Henderson	65	22	30	52	14
Medric Mercier	67	22	30	52	45
Jack Studnicka (Bos)	64	18	34	52	36
Allan McShane	62	17	27	44	6
Mason Kohn	67	11	29	40	73
Kenny Huether	68	16	17	33	53
Riley Stillman (Fla)	62	11	22	33	76
Matt Brassard (Van)	62	12	20	32	81
Joe Manchurek	48	15	14	29	22
Renars Krastenbergs	63	9	15	24	28
Danil Antropov	60	8	13	21	24
Serron Noel	63	8	13	21	52
Kyle MacLean	68	6	7	13	47
Robbie Burt	46	7	4	11	39
Alex Di Carlo	61	1	9	10	50
Sullivan Sparkes	45	5	3	8	26
Sean Allen	50	1	6	7	110
Grayden Gottschalk	42	3	3	6	2
William Ennis	48	0	3	3	17
Ian Blacker	41	0	2	2	18
Jaimen Allison	2	0	1	1	0
Ryan Heeps	2	0	0	0	2
Matt Stoia	2	0	0	0	0

OTTAWA 67'S

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Artur Tyanulin	67	24	61	85	67
Austen Keating	67	22	41	63	24
Patrick White	68	22	27	49	24
Sasha Chmelevski (SJ)	58	21	22	43	20
Noel Hoefenmayer (Ari)	62	14	26	40	36
Travis Barron (Col)	59	13	21	34	62
Jared Steege	50	14	19	33	34
Mathieu Foget	32	12	21	33	4
Tye Felhaber	48	17	14	31	17
Ben Evans	60	8	14	22	26
Chris Martenet (Dal)	55	5	11	16	60
Peter Stratis	49	1	14	15	16
Kody Clark	57	7	4	11	35
Zack Dorval	65	6	5	11	45
Ben Fanjoy	24	5	4	9	14
Carter Robertson	44	1	8	9	14
Ryan Orban	66	1	8	9	48
David Pearce	65	3	5	8	16
Nolan Gardiner	47	2	5	7	18
Kyle Auger	46	2	4	6	10
Kevin Bahl	57	1	3	4	53
William Brown	20	0	4	4	25
Sam Bitten	14	2	1	3	0
Mitchell Hoelscher	6	2	0	2	4
Hudson Wilson	39	0	2	2	23
Quinn Yule	1	0	0	0	0
Trent Mallette	2	0	0	0	2
Connor Warnholtz	5	0	0	0	0

OWEN SOUND ATTACK

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Petrus Palmu (Van)	62	40	58	98	34
Nick Suzuki (Veg)	65	45	51	96	10
Kevin Hancock	68	30	55	85	14
Jonah Gadjovich (Van)	60	46	28	74	32
Santino Centorame	68	7	66	73	57
Cordell James	64	34	23	57	18
Ethan Szypula	64	11	36	47	65
Markus Phillips (LA)	66	13	30	43	44
Sean Durzi	60	2	36	38	24
Maksim Sushko (Phi)	54	17	15	32	24
Matt Schmalz	62	16	15	31	49
Chase Campbell	66	14	14	28	20
Zachary Roberts	61	10	12	22	46
Aidan Dudas	56	8	13	21	14
Matthew Struthers	66	10	9	19	16
Nick Pryce	48	7	12	19	12
Jacob Friend (LA)	43	2	10	12	65
Trenton Bourque (StL)	67	0	11	11	36
Cole Cameron	61	1	4	5	14
Tyler MacArthur	24	1	2	3	33
Nick King	36	0	3	3	6
Daylon Groulx	9	1	0	1	6
Greg Smith	2	0	0	0	2
Luke Beamish	9	0	0	0	0

PETERBOROUGH PETES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Nikita Korostelev	55	29	35	64	32
Matthew Timms	68	11	52	63	28
Steven Lorentz (Car)	66	29	32	61	37
Jonathan Ang (Fla)	67	27	32	59	75
Logan DeNoble	67	34	21	55	28
Kyle Jenkins	67	12	37	49	26
Christopher Paquette (TB)	66	19	29	48	28
Zach Gallant (Det)	60	21	26	47	74
Adam Timleck	66	15	16	31	29
Semyon Der-Arguchintsev	63	8	21	29	2
Matt Spencer (TB)	60	7	22	29	60
Cole Fraser (Det)	61	6	13	19	82
Tyler Rollo	56	6	10	16	20
Nick Isaacson	66	5	10	15	36
Brandon Prophet	60	1	13	14	61
Josh Coyle	63	11	2	13	13
Matyas Svoboda	62	8	5	13	12
Pavel Gogolev	53	5	6	11	20
Alex Black	65	2	7	9	37
Declan Chisholm	41	1	4	5	6
Jonne Tammela (TB)	2	1	0	1	0
Matt McNamara	4	0	1	1	0
Troy Henley	9	0	1	1	2
Josh Barraclough	1	0	0	0	0
Ian McKinnon	2	0	0	0	0
Chad Denault	6	0	0	0	4
Eddie Schulz	16	0	0	0	6

SAGINAW SPIRIT

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Hayden Hodgson	67	38	28	66	71
Filip Hronek (Det)	59	14	47	61	60
Kris Bennett	66	25	26	51	72
Brady Gilmour (Det)	65	26	21	47	4
Marcus Crawford	60	6	33	39	34
Matthew Kreis	65	11	24	35	6
Cole Coskey	66	10	21	31	36
Damien Giroux	53	8	17	25	21
C.J. Garcia	64	6	16	22	35
Keaton Middleton (Tor)	64	4	14	18	48
Jesse Barwell	63	6	10	16	10
Hayden Davis	67	3	12	15	74
DJ Busdeker	39	7	7	14	16
Max Grondin	68	6	5	11	42
Markus Niemelainen (Edm)	59	3	6	9	40
Mike Davies	39	5	3	8	30
Kyle Bollers	63	1	2	3	22
Gianluca Fuoco	53	2	0	2	23
Brock Hill	47	0	2	2	28
Chet Phillips	11	0	1	1	7
Rocky Kaura	6	0	0	0	0
Danny Katic	11	0	0	0	6

SARNIA STING

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jordan Kyrou (StL)	66	30	64	94	36
Drake Rymsha (LA)	65	35	27	62	80
Anthony Salinitri (Phi)	66	28	30	58	33
Jeff King	66	14	42	56	76
Adam Ruzicka (Cgy)	61	25	21	46	30
Kevin Spinozzi	58	13	28	41	59
Troy Lajeunesse	65	18	22	40	36
Jaden Lindo	58	21	14	35	51
Franco Sproviero	68	14	21	35	38
Jordan Ernst	67	8	21	29	51
Ryan McGregor (Tor)	65	14	13	27	16
Brady Hinz	61	5	20	25	4
Sean Josling	60	11	10	21	22
Nick Grima	60	3	18	21	26
Filip Helt (StL)	53	4	12	16	16
Connor Schlichting	68	1	8	9	42
Theo Calvas	53	1	7	8	40
Kelton Hatcher	58	0	8	8	22
Louis Latta	57	2	3	5	14
Jacob Stos	29	2	2	4	37
Curtis Egert	10	0	1	1	10
Derrick Johnson	1	0	0	0	0
Braden Henderson	6	0	0	0	0
Cameron Hough	12	0	0	0	15
Brock Perry	16	0	0	0	2

SAULT STE. MARIE GREYHOUNDS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Bobby MacIntyre	63	28	52	80	56
Zachary Senyshyn (Bos)	59	42	23	65	31
Boris Katchouk (TB)	66	35	29	64	46
Morgan Frost (Phi)	67	20	42	62	36
Conor Timmins (Col)	67	7	54	61	69
Tim Gettinger (NYR)	62	31	23	54	27
Jack Kopacka (Ana)	65	30	19	49	16
David Miller	68	22	15	37	28
Gustav Bouramman (Min)	66	2	34	36	44
Blake Speers (NJ)	30	15	19	34	16
Hayden Verbeek	64	11	20	31	31
Colton White (NJ)	64	6	25	31	41
Otto Makinen	68	7	23	30	12
Barrett Hayton	63	9	18	27	36
Noah Carroll (Car)	62	5	20	25	43
Mac Hollowell	63	3	20	23	19
Calvin Martin	39	4	3	7	4
Jacob LeGuerrier	35	0	6	6	16
Anthony DeMeo	63	0	6	6	29
Alex Gritz	37	2	3	5	12
Holden Wale	1	0	0	0	0
Bryce Yetman	2	0	0	0	0
Frankie Pucci	2	0	0	0	0

SUDBURY WOLVES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Dmitry Sokolov (Min)	64	48	24	72	8
David Levin	66	18	35	53	49
Macauley Carson	68	30	20	50	37
Ryan Valentini	66	18	32	50	18
Kyle Capobianco (Ari)	65	10	37	47	66
Chandler Yakimowicz	59	9	27	36	65
Alan Lyszczarczyk	61	10	22	32	56
Liam Dunda	65	10	16	26	69
Aiden Jamieson	66	3	23	26	64
Shane Bulitka	60	5	16	21	16
Darian Pilon	67	9	11	20	97
Michael Pezzetta (Mtl)	54	10	9	19	88
Reagan O'Grady	66	5	13	18	46
Drake Pilon	58	5	8	13	87
Zach Wilkie	53	3	10	13	80
Owen Lalonde	64	2	10	12	19
Owen Lane	43	5	5	10	12
Patrick Sanvido	52	3	5	8	35
Conor Ali	49	0	6	6	2
Owen Gilhula	31	2	2	4	6
Evan Krassey	2	0	0	0	2
Dawson Baker	10	0	0	0	8
Cole Mayo	26	0	0	0	18

WINDSOR SPITFIRES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jeremy Bracco (Tor)	57	25	58	83	6
Gabriel Vilardi (LA)	49	29	32	61	12
Aaron Luchuk	68	28	31	59	14
Graham Knott (Chi)	59	15	37	52	61
Mikhail Sergachev (TB)	50	10	34	44	71
Jeremiah Addison (Mtl)	51	24	19	43	62
Logan Brown (Ott)	35	14	26	40	27
Julius Nattinen (Ana)	51	13	25	38	16
Sean Day (NYR)	63	15	22	37	24
Cristiano DiGiacinto	47	13	21	34	61
Adam Laishram	56	12	17	29	28
Luke Boka	68	13	15	28	25
Jalen Chatfield (Van)	61	8	20	28	56
Hayden McCool	61	8	10	18	50
Austin McEneny	60	1	17	18	25
Cole Purboo	68	11	6	17	19
Logan Stanley (Wpg)	35	4	13	17	62
Connor Corcoran	59	5	5	10	19
Tyler Nother	64	1	9	10	43
Daniel Robertson	53	1	8	9	26
Tyler Angle	41	2	2	4	6
Mike Baird	18	1	2	3	12
Maddux Rychel	8	0	2	2	2
Dede Cato	3	0	0	0	4
Jasper Forgrave	6	0	0	0	0
Brett Primeau	8	0	0	0	0
Chris Playfair	13	0	0	0	0

GOALTENDING STATISTICS

Barrie	GP	Min.	W	GAA	SP
Christian Propp	32	1,741	7	3.89	.884
David Ovsjannikov	34	1,804	8	3.99	.878
Ruan Badenhorst	11	569	2	4.85	.857
Erie	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Troy Timpano	44	2,559	36	2.37	.901
Joseph Murdaca	17	994	12	2.53	.898
Anand Oberoi	1	64	0	2.82	.897
Jake Lawr	9	483	2	3.97	.851
Flint	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Matthew Menna	2	120	1	2.00	.900
Connor Hicks	38	2,149	18	3.21	.886
Garrett Forrest	32	1,862	13	3.51	.889
Guelph	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Liam Herbst	48	2,565	14	3.93	.890
Anthony Popovich	30	1,523	7	4.61	.876
Hamilton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Dawson Carty	24	1,290	12	2.88	.896
Kaden Fulcher	43	2,393	19	3.21	.891
Cole Ceci	9	422	2	3.84	.880
Kingston	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jeremy Helvig (Car)	59	3,446	29	2.72	.907
Mario Peccia	13	626	4	2.88	.880
Zach Moore	1	45	0	4.01	.813
Kitchener	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Chris McGonigle	3	179	1	2.68	.937
Dawson Carty	21	1,208	13	3.23	.902
Luke Opilka (StL)	31	1,779	13	3.58	.889
Luke Richardson	16	879	9	3.62	.897
Lucas Pfeil	1	56	0	5.36	.722
London	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Tyler Parsons (Cgy)	34	2,000	23	2.37	.925
Jordan Kooy	11	515	8	2.45	.927
Emanuel Vella	5	305	3	2.95	.895
Trenton McGrail	1	19	0	3.20	.857
Tyler Johnson	26	1,275	12	3.25	.900
Mississauga	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Joseph Murdaca	2	85	1	2.12	.944
Jacob Ingham	31	1,672	17	2.69	.907
Matthew Mancina	44	2,379	16	3.25	.899
Niagara	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Stephen Dhillon	59	3,433	21	3.46	.914
Colton Incze	14	676	2	5.50	.864
North Bay	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Julian Sime	21	1,109	3	3.19	.899
Brent Moran	48	2,602	18	3.69	.887
Mat Woroniuk	9	365	3	4.27	.852
Bradley Van Schubert	1	23	0	5.13	.889
Oshawa	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Jeremy Brodeur	51	2,848	33	2.84	.916
Kyle Keyser	26	1,254	7	3.40	.891
Barrett Mundell	1	16	0	3.70	.889
Ottawa	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Olivier Lafreniere	34	1,749	11	3.71	.888
Leo Lazarev	43	2,344	15	3.84	.888
Owen Sound	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Michael McNiven (Mtl)	54	3,184	41	2.30	.915
Riley Daniels	7	367	3	2.94	.875
Emanuel Vella	8	429	5	3.21	.863
Bradley Van Schubert	3	122	0	3.44	.889
Peterborough	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Dylan Wells (Edm)	52	3,026	33	3.07	.916
Scott Smith	20	1,106	9	3.15	.904
Saginaw	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Cameron Lamour	4	190	1	2.21	.901
Evan Cormier (NJ)	49	2,858	23	3.23	.899
Brendan Bonello	21	1,057	3	4.60	.856
Sarnia	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Justin Fazio	52	2,902	23	3.68	.896
Aidan Hughes	21	1,028	7	4.32	.882
Blair Coffin	3	179	1	4.70	.874
Sault Ste. Marie	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Matthew Villalta (LA)	33	1,795	25	2.41	.918
Joseph Raaymakers	41	2,311	23	3.38	.889
Sudbury	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Zack Bowman	26	1,332	8	3.47	.904
Jake McGrath	45	2,435	17	3.77	.896
MacKenzie Savard	7	326	2	4.24	.884
Windsor	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Michael DiPietro (Van)	51	2,935	30	2.35	.917
Mario Culina	21	1,183	11	2.94	.899

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

EASTERN CONFERENCE

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Regina	72	52	12	7	1	353	211	112
Moose Jaw	72	42	21	8	1	255	219	93
Swift Current	72	39	23	4	6	247	239	88
Brandon	72	31	31	7	3	225	247	72
Saskatoon	72	28	35	7	2	190	248	65
Prince Albert	72	21	44	5	2	198	283	49

CENTRAL DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Medicine Hat	72	51	20	1	0	350	248	103
Lethbridge	72	44	21	4	3	280	253	95
Red Deer	72	30	29	9	4	239	258	73
Calgary	72	30	32	8	2	215	282	70
Edmonton	72	23	43	5	1	193	292	52
Kootenay	72	14	46	10	2	177	335	40

WESTERN CONFERENCE

B.C. DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Prince George	72	45	21	3	3	253	201	96
Kelowna	72	45	22	5	0	283	206	95
Kamloops	72	42	24	2	4	243	198	90
Victoria	72	37	29	5	1	239	219	80
Vancouver	72	20	46	3	3	183	296	46

U.S. DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Everett	72	44	16	9	3	229	169	100
Seattle	72	46	20	4	2	253	206	98
Tri-City	72	41	28	3	0	272	252	85
Portland	72	40	28	1	3	278	256	84
Spokane	72	27	33	8	4	235	272	66

*Teams receive one point for an overtime loss (OL) and a shootout loss (SL).

REGULAR SEASON SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Sam Steel, Reg (Ana)	66	50	81	131
2.	Adam Brooks, Reg (Tor)	66	43	87	130
3.	Tyler Wong, Let	69	51	58	109
4.	Chad Butcher, MH	68	27	76	103
5.	Jayden Halbgewachs, MJ	71	50	51	101
6.	Kailer Yamamoto, Spo (Edm)	65	42	57	99
7.	Cody Glass, Por (Veg)	69	32	62	94
8.	Mason Shaw, MH (Min)	71	27	67	94
9.	Tyler Steenbergen, SC (Ari)	72	51	39	90
10.	Matthew Phillips, Vic (Cgy)	70	50	40	90
11.	Morgan Geekie, TC (Car)	72	35	55	90
12.	Giorgio Estephan, Let	68	35	54	89
13.	Dawson Leedahl, Reg (NYR)	71	35	54	89
14.	Steven Owre, MH	71	26	62	88
15.	Kole Lind, Kel (Van)	70	30	57	87
16.	Aleksi Heponiemi, SC (Fla)	72	28	58	86
17.	Connor Hobbs, Reg (Wsh)	67	31	54	85
18.	Michael Spacek, RD (Wpg)	59	30	55	85
19.	Skyler McKenzie, Por (Wpg)	72	42	42	84
20.	Ryan Gropp, Sea (NYR)	66	35	49	84
21.	Tyler Sandhu, TC	72	23	60	83
22.	Brayden Burke, Let/MJ	61	19	63	82
23.	Brett Howden, MJ (TB)	58	38	43	81
24.	Nick Henry, Reg (Col)	72	35	46	81
25.	Matteo Gennaro, Cgy	69	43	37	80

REGULAR SEASON GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Carter Hart, Evt (Phi)	54	1.99	.927
2.	Connor Ingram, Kam (TB)	45	2.44	.927
3.	Dylan Ferguson, Kam (Dal)	31	2.74	.922
4.	Zach Sawchenko, MJ	51	2.79	.917
5.	Ty Edmonds, PG	53	2.48	.916
6.	Griffen Outhouse, Vic	63	2.85	.915
7.	Logan Flodell, Sask	48	2.81	.912
8.	Tyler Brown, Reg	50	2.64	.911
9.	Cole Kehler, Por	56	3.10	.910
10.	Logan Thompson, Bra	40	3.24	.908

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PLAYOFF SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Keegan Kolesar, Sea (Veg)	19	12	19	31
2.	Sam Steel, Reg (Ana)	23	11	19	30
3.	Reid Gardiner, Kel	17	15	13	28
4.	Ethan Bear, Sea (Edm)	17	6	20	26
5.	Dawson Leedahl, Reg (NYR)	23	12	13	25
6.	Mathew Barzal, Sea (NYI)	16	7	18	25
7.	Giorgio Estephan, Let	18	11	13	24
8.	Tyler Wong, Let	20	11	13	24
9.	Connor Hobbs, Reg (Wsh)	23	6	18	24
10.	Egor Babenko, Let	20	10	13	23

PLAYOFF GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Connor Ingram, Kam (TB)	6	2.18	.946
2.	Jordan Papirny, SC	14	2.48	.935
3.	Griffen Outhouse, Vic	6	2.10	.923
4.	Zach Sawchenko, MJ	7	2.46	.923
5.	Stuart Skinner, Let (Edm)	20	3.09	.916

BRANDON WHEAT KINGS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Reid Duke (Veg)	59	37	34	71	81
Ty Lewis	70	30	38	68	40
Tyler Coulter	66	30	33	63	100
Stelio Mattheos (Car)	69	26	35	61	59
Nolan Patrick (Phi)	33	20	26	46	36
Tanner Kaspick (StL)	49	19	26	45	75
Kale Clague (LA)	48	5	35	40	41
Connor Gutenberg	66	13	24	37	17
James Shearer	65	8	23	31	22
Schael Higson	71	4	16	20	104
Daniel Bukac (Bos)	72	2	15	17	38
Kade Jensen	73	4	10	14	94
Dmitry Osipov	73	2	12	14	82
Caiden Daley	60	2	8	10	18
Baron Thompson	47	3	4	7	39
Cole Reinhardt	61	3	4	7	20
Linden McCorrister	33	2	5	7	2
Garrett Sambrook	55	1	6	7	12
Rylan Bettens	64	4	1	5	5
Zach Russell	40	3	2	5	49
Meyer Nell	30	2	2	4	13
Garrett Armour	41	0	4	4	45
Tak Anholt	15	1	1	2	6
Zach Wytinck	29	0	1	1	6
Braden Schneider	1	0	0	0	0
Ben McCartney	2	0	0	0	0
Aiden Mucenski	4	0	0	0	0
Duncan Campbell	6	0	0	0	2
Blake Jameson	27	0	0	0	20

CALGARY HITMEN

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Matteo Gennaro	69	43	37	80	65
Beck Malenstyn (Wsh)	70	32	24	56	60
Jakob Stukel (Van)	70	23	30	53	36
Jake Kryski	71	20	26	46	64
Jake Bean (Car)	43	8	37	45	14
Mark Kastelic	67	13	22	35	65
Andrei Grishakov	70	11	24	35	48
Tyler Mrkonjic	72	8	21	29	8
Luke Coleman	73	14	14	28	39
Brady Reagan	68	7	20	27	41
Micheal Zipp	71	4	22	26	96
Vladislav Yeryomenko	62	6	19	25	28
Andrew Fyten	63	6	6	12	75
Lucas Cullen	37	4	4	8	8
Jaydan Gordon	70	2	6	8	20
Tristen Nielsen	49	3	4	7	19
Taylor Sanheim	18	2	5	7	34
Jakob LaPointe	48	0	7	7	55
Matt Dorsey	34	3	3	6	25
Justyn Gurney	31	2	2	4	15
Murphy Stratton	45	1	3	4	11
Jameson Murray	35	1	2	3	6
Drea Esposito	35	0	2	2	4
Bryce Platt	2	0	1	1	0
Jackson van de Leest	7	0	1	1	2
Bryce Bader	1	0	0	0	0
Zach Huber	2	0	0	0	0
Brayden Brown	2	0	0	0	0

EDMONTON OIL KINGS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Davis Koch	72	21	49	70	20
Trey Fix-Wolansky	70	24	30	54	69
Tyler Robertson	66	15	21	36	94
Colton Kehler	67	18	15	33	44
Graham Millar	48	12	18	30	18
Conner McDonald	67	8	19	27	47
Will Warm	67	9	15	24	72
Kobe Mohr	68	6	18	24	75
Adam Berg	61	5	13	18	17
Riley Stadel	45	7	10	17	54
Brayden Gorda	56	4	12	16	84
Nicholas Bowman	61	7	7	14	15
Brett Kemp	36	4	10	14	8
Anatolii Elizarov	67	7	6	13	65
Ty Gerla	43	5	6	11	60
Davis Murray	52	3	8	11	99
Ethan Cap	62	1	9	10	20
Tyson Gruninger	34	3	5	8	23
Wyatt McLeod	41	0	6	6	28
Artyom Baltruk	60	3	2	5	24
Jesse Roach	42	2	2	4	22
Liam Keeler	7	0	2	2	0
Jordan Dawson	28	0	2	2	19
Brian Harris	5	1	0	1	0
Matthew Robertson	7	0	1	1	2
Scott Atkinson	3	0	0	0	0
Jayden Platz	10	0	0	0	2

EVERETT SILVERTIPS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Patrick Bajkov	71	29	49	78	44
Dominic Zwerger	67	28	47	75	32
Kevin Davis	72	9	50	59	14
Aaron Irving	71	18	40	58	88
Matt Fonteyne	64	20	27	47	18
Riley Sutter	67	20	19	39	36
Devon Skoleski	65	14	20	34	4
Noah Juulsen (Mtl)	49	12	22	34	38
Eetu Tuulola (Cgy)	62	18	13	31	34
Connor Dewar	71	14	16	30	37
Sean Richards	67	8	15	23	51
Jake Christiansen	72	6	13	19	29
Brian King	62	4	13	17	16
Lucas Skrumeda	47	4	12	16	21
Bryce Kindopp	60	7	7	14	8
Wyatte Wylie	71	0	10	10	50
Orrin Centazzo	41	4	5	9	13
Brandson Hein	48	6	2	8	6
Bradly Goethals	23	3	3	6	4
Montana Onyebuchi	47	1	5	6	79
Ian Walker	42	0	5	5	8
Cal Babych	15	2	2	4	10
Mario Mucka	1	0	1	1	0
Ethan Browne	1	0	0	0	0
Dawson Butt	3	0	0	0	4
Gianni Fairbrother	3	0	0	0	0
Keith Anderson	10	0	0	0	19
Mackenzie Dwyer	13	0	0	0	6

KAMLOOPS BLAZERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Deven Sideroff (Ana)	67	36	42	78	49
Rudolfs Balcers (SJ)	66	40	37	77	16
Lane Bauer	71	36	35	71	22
Garrett Pilon (Wsh)	67	20	45	65	20
Collin Shirley	70	28	34	62	31
Quinn Benjafield	69	16	26	42	34
Nick Chyzowski	72	16	26	42	28
Joe Gatenby	71	7	31	38	80
Ondrej Vala (Dal)	60	10	15	25	89
Luc Smith	61	12	10	22	73
Nic Holowko	66	7	13	20	41
Matt Revel	31	7	11	18	17
Jermaine Loewen	66	6	11	17	115
Luke Zazula	54	2	14	16	59
Dallas Valentine	52	2	13	15	4
Jackson Shepard	41	3	9	12	32
Nolan Kneen	69	2	7	9	58
Travis Walton	48	5	3	8	13
Erik Miller	52	5	3	8	25
Dan Gatenby	41	1	6	7	24
Scott Mahovlich	48	1	4	5	28
Tylor Ludwar	19	0	2	2	11
Ryley Appelt	1	1	0	1	0
Devan Harrison	1	0	0	0	2
Brodi Stuart	3	0	0	0	2

KELOWNA ROCKETS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Kole Lind (Van)	70	30	57	87	79
Calvin Thurkauf (Clb)	60	33	37	70	87
Nick Merkley (Ari)	63	23	40	63	73
Cal Foote (TB)	71	6	51	57	41
Dillon Dube (Cgy)	40	20	35	55	40
Tomas Soustal	49	18	29	47	48
Rodney Southam	71	19	27	46	121
Carsen Twarynski (Phi)	64	17	26	43	60
Lucas Johansen (Wsh)	68	6	35	41	39
Reid Gardiner	28	18	19	37	18
Nolan Foote	52	19	16	35	25
Devante Stephens (Buf)	67	13	22	35	75
Kyle Topping	59	14	15	29	38
James Hilsendager	64	6	21	27	61
Erik Gardiner	42	4	11	15	8
Leif Mattson	46	9	5	14	23
Conner Bruggen-Cate	55	3	10	13	37
Jack Cowell	59	4	8	12	17
Braydyn Chizen (Min)	65	3	7	10	82
Gordie Ballhorn	44	2	7	9	46
Ted Brennan	2	0	1	1	0
Ted Brennan	4	0	1	1	0
Liam Kindree	7	0	1	1	0
Konrad Belcourt	44	0	1	1	15
Kaedan Korczak	4	0	0	0	0
Tate Coughlin	4	0	0	0	2

KOOTENAY ICE

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Colton Kroeker	70	18	41	59	14
Vince Loschiavo	68	29	28	57	30
Cale Fleury (Mtl)	70	11	27	38	67
Brett Davis (Dal)	59	18	15	33	18
Dallas Hines	67	4	19	23	39
Noah Philp	65	8	11	19	14
Barrett Sheen	55	8	10	18	129
Austin Wellsby	60	6	12	18	27
Troy Murray	67	4	14	18	93
Jake Elmer	46	7	9	16	24
Ryan Pouliot	66	1	15	16	123
Max Patterson	63	8	7	15	23
Keenan Taphorn	68	3	6	9	10
Michael King	66	2	7	9	10
Fedor Rudakov	59	5	3	8	35
Kaeden Taphorn	48	4	4	8	6
Tanner Sidaway	65	2	6	8	61
Kurtis Rutledge	60	3	4	7	32
Reed Morison	64	2	5	7	12
Dylan Stewart	19	2	4	6	2
Peyton Krebs	6	1	5	6	0
Sam Huston	45	1	4	5	18
Nikita Radzivilyuk	27	1	1	2	24
Eli Lieffers	4	1	0	1	2
Jared Legien	2	0	0	0	0
Loeden Schaufler	4	0	0	0	0
Bobby Russell	5	0	0	0	0

LETHBRIDGE HURRICANES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Tyler Wong	69	51	58	109	53
Giorgio Estephan	68	35	54	89	39
Zak Zborosky	66	41	33	74	24
Brennan Menell	70	12	59	71	29
Matt Alfaro	61	25	35	60	72
Jordy Bellerive	70	27	29	56	86
Egor Babenko	66	24	31	55	36
Alec Baer	69	15	24	39	22
Ryan Bowen	58	11	25	36	28
Calen Addison	63	9	24	33	52
Ryan Vandervlis	60	8	17	25	24
Igor Merezhko	72	2	19	21	88
Brennan Riddle	71	4	14	18	59
Jesse Zaharichuk	17	8	9	17	8
Tanner Nagel	72	10	6	16	88
Jaydon Joseph	68	3	12	15	54
Zane Franklin	64	5	9	14	103
Brady Pouteau	48	1	11	12	19
Kord Pankewicz	24	1	8	9	34
Kyle Yewchuk	46	1	7	8	46
Josh Tarzwell	36	2	3	5	12
Ty Prefontaine	50	0	4	4	19
Dylan Cozens	3	1	0	1	0
Jayden Davis	4	0	1	1	0
Connor Lyons	10	0	1	1	0
Koletrane Wilson	1	0	0	0	2
Tyler Strath	1	0	0	0	0
Shawn Harke	1	0	0	0	0
Nick Watson	1	0	0	0	0
Nolan Jones	3	0	0	0	0
Riley Shamray	5	0	0	0	5
Ethan King	14	0	0	0	2

MEDICINE HAT TIGERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Chad Butcher	68	27	76	103	75
Mason Shaw (Min)	71	27	67	94	57
Steven Owre	71	26	62	88	70
Matt Bradley	70	34	43	77	85
Clayton Kirichenko	72	12	52	64	42
Zach Fischer (Cgy)	62	34	29	63	145
Max Gerlach	72	34	28	62	32
Mark Rassell	72	36	25	61	31
John Dahlstrom (Chi)	63	30	29	59	12
David Quenneville (NYI)	49	23	36	59	37
James Hamblin	69	23	24	47	32
Ryan Jevne	72	9	19	28	30
Jordan Henderson	61	6	21	27	39
Kristians Rubins	49	3	21	24	14
Tyler Preziuso	71	5	17	22	25
Brad Forrest	72	3	19	22	39
Ty Schultz	44	3	18	21	15
Ryan Chyzowski	52	5	7	12	6
Dalton Gally	58	1	8	9	44
Dylan MacPherson	51	0	9	9	6
Gary Haden	32	7	1	8	11
Josh Williams	4	1	0	1	0
Cameron MacPhee	16	0	1	1	24

MOOSE JAW WARRIORS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jayden Halbgewachs	71	50	51	101	27
Brayden Burke	61	19	63	82	36
Brett Howden (TB)	58	38	43	81	73
Noah Gregor (SJ)	52	27	34	61	29
Tanner Jeannot	71	19	33	52	84
Thomas Foster	68	21	27	48	37
Josh Brook (Mtl)	69	8	32	40	61
Matt Sozanski	63	3	33	36	24
Yan Khomenko	68	15	16	31	18
Justin Almeida	70	11	17	28	10
Luka Burzan	66	14	13	27	18
Branden Klatt	71	7	15	22	49
Jett Woo	65	5	17	22	37
Josh Thrower	67	2	18	20	108
Dmitri Zaitsev (Wsh)	70	2	18	20	55
Spencer Bast	60	9	8	17	20
Tristin Langan	66	6	11	17	16
Dakota Odgers	42	2	6	8	71
Colin Paradis	57	0	8	8	9
Chantz Petruic	55	0	4	4	8
Brandon Armstrong	34	1	1	2	4
Brecon Wood	57	1	1	2	13
Ryan Gardiner	17	0	2	2	4
Jaxan Kaluski	16	0	1	1	6
Tyler Smithies	2	0	0	0	0
Matthew Benson	4	0	0	0	0
Tate Popple	8	0	0	0	0

PORTLAND WINTERHAWKS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Cody Glass (Veg)	69	32	62	94	36
Skyler McKenzie (Wpg)	72	42	42	84	60
Keegan Iverson	55	26	44	70	94
Caleb Jones (Edm)	63	9	53	62	54
Joachim Blichfeld (SJ)	63	28	30	58	34
Ryan Hughes	70	27	30	57	64
Henri Jokiharju (Chi)	71	9	39	48	38
Keoni Texeira	72	12	33	45	44
Evan Weinger	62	20	18	38	37
Colton Veloso	71	18	14	32	49
Alex Overhardt	68	14	18	32	99
Brendan De Jong (Car)	72	8	15	23	72
Matt Revel	42	9	12	21	19
Jake Gricius	71	10	4	14	14
Lane Gilliss	65	6	7	13	33
Ilijah Colina	46	1	11	12	8
Brad Ginnell	51	6	4	10	24
Shaun Dosanjh	49	2	6	8	47
Conor MacEachern	52	1	5	6	50
Brett Clayton	29	2	3	5	30
Carter Czaikowski	17	1	4	5	8
Ty Kolle	13	0	3	3	12
Matthew Quigley	49	0	3	3	20
Bronson Sharp	40	0	2	2	27
Ty Westgard	7	1	0	1	0
Rodrigo Abols (Van)	2	0	1	1	7

PRINCE ALBERT RAIDERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Simon Stransky	57	22	26	48	23
Parker Kelly	72	21	22	43	75
Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM

Curtis Miske	61	20	23	43	32
Cavin Leth	68	23	16	39	101
Jordy Stallard (Wpg)	40	14	23	37	19
Max Martin	69	8	25	33	52
Tim Vanstone	68	12	18	30	116
Kolten Olynek	67	14	15	29	43
Cole Fonstad	69	11	15	26	16
Vojtech Budik (Buf)	56	1	25	26	20
Sean Montgomery	69	13	10	23	14
Carson Miller	46	7	12	19	23
D-Jay Jerome	55	8	8	16	16
Brayden Pachal	65	3	12	15	83
Spencer Moe	61	6	8	14	6
Adam Kadlec	60	5	9	14	25
Nick Heid	63	2	10	12	38
Zack Hayes	72	2	10	12	82
Cody Paivarinta	57	2	5	7	54
Drew Warkentine	32	2	4	6	32
Cameron Reagan	18	0	3	3	8
Austin Crossley	30	1	1	2	47
Kolby Johnson	40	0	2	2	64
Lane Kirk	3	0	1	1	0
Dylan Williamson	8	0	1	1	14
Evgeni Astrouski	1	0	0	0	0
Nikita Krivokrasov	2	0	0	0	2
Rhett Rhinehart	2	0	0	0	0
Cody Thompson	2	0	0	0	0

PRINCE GEORGE COUGARS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jansen Harkins (Wpg)	64	21	51	72	48
Nikita Popugaev (NJ)	71	29	40	69	29
Jesse Gabrielle (Bos)	61	35	29	64	88
Radovan Bondra (Chi)	62	32	31	63	40
Colby McAuley	68	26	29	55	87
Brad Morrison	61	21	31	52	55
Jared Bethune	72	22	27	49	50
Kody McDonald	68	17	32	49	119
Brendan Guhle (Buf)	47	15	18	33	32
Brogan O'Brien	70	9	24	33	53
Josh Curtis	67	9	21	30	16
Tate Olson	67	7	19	26	60
Aaron Boyd	70	9	15	24	15
Sam Ruopp	55	4	20	24	51
Shane Collins	72	2	11	13	31
Tanner Wishnowski	28	3	9	12	30
Joel Lakusta	60	1	11	12	24
Josh Anderson (Col)	69	3	8	11	75
Ryan Schoettler	58	1	9	10	8
Josh Maser	23	3	1	4	8
Jackson Leppard	35	2	2	4	22
Ethan O'Rourke	19	1	1	2	10
Cole Moberg	4	1	0	1	0
Brendan Kochanski	1	0	0	0	0
Jonas Harkins	2	0	0	0	0
Max Kryski	2	0	0	0	0

RED DEER REBELS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Michael Spacek (Wpg)	59	30	55	85	34
Brandon Hagel (Buf)	65	31	40	71	85
Evan Polei	69	33	29	62	104
Austin Glover	69	22	36	58	30
Lane Zablocki (Det)	64	28	26	54	97
Adam Musil (StL)	56	20	31	51	74
Colton Bobyk	70	5	45	50	102
Austin Pratt	70	16	18	34	43
Jared Freadrich	67	6	25	31	56
Akash Bains	65	8	13	21	18
Alexander Alexeyev	41	4	17	21	24
Dawson Martin	67	10	7	17	41
Carson Sass	64	5	11	16	30
Cameron Hausinger	61	7	8	15	72
Brandon Schuldhaus	67	2	12	14	58
Jordan Roy	63	5	6	11	47
Grayson Pawlenchuk	19	4	5	9	14
Ethan Sakowich	61	3	4	7	31
Matthew Campese	37	2	4	6	12
Jacob Herauf	37	0	5	5	15
Dawson Barteaux	42	0	4	4	6
Brandon Cutler	38	1	2	3	15
Chris Douglas	24	0	2	2	0
Chase Lowry	1	0	0	0	0
Ben Hiltz	2	0	0	0	0
Austin Schellenberg	2	0	0	0	0
Austin Shmoorkoff	2	0	0	0	2
Quinn Martin	20	0	0	0	25

REGINA PATS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Sam Steel (Ana)	66	50	81	131	40
Adam Brooks (Tor)	66	43	87	130	61
Dawson Leedahl (NYR)	71	35	54	89	121
Connor Hobbs (Wsh)	67	31	54	85	92
Nick Henry (Col)	72	35	46	81	49
Austin Wagner (LA)	64	30	36	66	94
Josh Mahura (Ana)	73	17	36	53	57
Filip Ahl (Ott)	54	28	20	48	26
Chase Harrison	67	6	42	48	18
Jake Leschyshyn (Veg)	47	17	23	40	22
Sergey Zborovskiy (NYR)	63	7	33	40	64
Wyatt Sloboshan	68	11	20	31	32
Jonathan Smart	67	3	25	28	43
Dawson Davidson	72	5	20	25	59
Jeff de Wit	66	9	7	16	26
Braydon Buziak	55	11	4	15	75
Bryan Lockner	62	4	9	13	31
Liam Schioler	72	1	9	10	48
Robbie Holmes	54	2	7	9	17
Riley Bruce	18	1	2	3	13
Riley Krane	5	1	0	1	0
Player	**GP**	**G**	**A**	**P**	**PIM**
Duncan Pierce	17	0	1	1	10
Owen Williams	1	0	0	0	0
Cole Muir	1	0	0	0	0
Kjell Kjemhus	3	0	0	0	0

SASKATOON BLADES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Braylon Shmyr	66	35	31	66	20
Jesse Shynkaruk	58	31	25	56	26
Mason McCarty	45	21	16	37	68
Josh Paterson	72	17	20	37	15
Bryton Sayers	72	7	25	32	56
Michael Farren	63	8	22	30	32
Logan Christensen	72	11	16	27	22
Libor Hajek (TB)	65	4	22	26	81
Mark Rubinchik	63	0	23	23	54
Chase Wouters	54	6	15	21	27
Evan Fiala	70	4	15	19	139
Markson Bechtold	33	8	7	15	60
Gage Ramsay	66	9	5	14	11
Caleb Fantillo	55	5	6	11	61
Cole Johnson	54	4	7	11	37
Kirby Dach	19	6	4	10	4
Lukus MacKenzie	52	6	2	8	75
Jake Kustra	30	1	3	4	28
Arjun Atwal	29	0	4	4	12
Jackson Caller	67	0	4	4	31
Luke Gingras	15	2	1	3	11
Jantzen Leslie	64	0	2	2	28
Tyler Lees	7	1	0	1	2
Dryden Michaud	29	1	0	1	4
Payton Mclsaac	1	0	0	0	2
Brandon Machado	2	0	0	0	0
Matthew Mosher	3	0	0	0	0
Chasetan Braid	8	0	0	0	11

SEATTLE THUNDERBIRDS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Ryan Gropp (NYR)	66	35	49	84	26
Mathew Barzal (NYI)	41	10	69	79	20
Ethan Bear (Edm)	67	28	42	70	21
Keegan Kolesar (Veg)	54	26	34	60	101
Nolan Volcan	64	16	28	44	71
Sami Moilanen	70	21	22	43	33
Donovan Neuls	72	14	27	41	45
Alexander True	66	25	15	40	38
Scott Eansor	40	18	20	38	32
Austin Strand	74	9	23	32	74
Turner Ottenbreit	71	7	25	32	92
Jarret Tyszka (Mtl)	54	6	19	25	28
Matthew Wedman	48	6	14	20	36
Aaron Hyman	67	2	14	16	21
Tyler Adams	66	4	11	15	77
Elijah Brown	64	4	9	13	12
Reece Harsch	67	3	9	12	16
Zack Andrusiak	60	6	5	11	16
Luke Ormsby	65	6	5	11	25
Anthony Bishop	66	2	5	7	34
Bryan Allbee	33	0	3	3	12
Ian Briscoe	20	2	0	2	0
Layne Bensmiller	7	1	0	1	2
Dillon Hamaliuk	17	1	0	1	15
Tyson Terretta	2	0	0	0	2
Tyler Carpendale	2	0	0	0	0
Cody Savey	2	0	0	0	0
Jake Lee	4	0	0	0	4
Wyatt Bear	8	0	0	0	2

SPOKANE CHIEFS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Kailer Yamamoto (Edm)	65	42	57	99	46
Jaret Anderson-Dolan (LA)	72	39	37	76	22
Hudson Elynuik (Car)	64	29	44	73	70
Keanu Yamamoto	72	26	43	69	54
Riley Woods	62	12	22	34	6
Ty Smith	66	5	27	32	22
Tyson Helgesen	72	8	21	29	75
Ethan McIndoe	67	17	9	26	54
Ondrej Najman	65	5	20	25	20
Eli Zummack	50	9	13	22	6
Nolan Reid	64	1	19	20	26
Hayden Ostir	52	8	11	19	31
Taylor Ross	60	7	12	19	15
Rykr Cole	63	6	13	19	37
Dalton Hamaliuk	70	0	11	11	36
Pavel Kousal	49	7	3	10	18
Riley McKay	51	3	6	9	123
Alex Mowbray	36	4	4	8	21
Jeff Faith	60	2	5	7	86
Matt Leduc	47	0	6	6	30
Jake Toporowski	36	0	3	3	8
Koby Morrisseau	22	1	1	2	11
Trent Huitema	6	1	0	1	4
Logan Foster	7	0	1	1	0
Luke Gallagher	10	0	1	1	2

SWIFT CURRENT BRONCOS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Tyler Steenbergen (Ari)	72	51	39	90	22
Aleksi Heponiemi (Fla)	72	28	58	86	18
Ryley Lindgren	72	27	47	74	42
Lane Pederson (Ari)	62	25	40	65	39
Glenn Gawdin	52	26	33	59	80
Artyom Minulin	70	8	42	50	21
Max Lajoie (Ott)	68	7	35	42	26
Ryan Graham	32	13	15	28	23
Colby Sissons (NJ)	63	6	22	28	30
Kaden Elder	67	15	12	27	18
Conner Chaulk	65	10	13	23	49
Arthur Miller	65	7	12	19	111
Sahvan Khaira	70	1	16	17	88
Player	**GP**	**G**	**A**	**P**	**PIM**
Riley Stotts	52	9	7	16	12
Kole Gable	45	6	6	12	6
Brandan Arnold	37	3	4	7	19
Dom Schmiemann	63	1	6	7	53
Jake Hobson	45	0	3	3	18
MacKenzie Wight	17	1	0	1	0
Tanner Mole	39	0	1	1	26
Owen Blocker	44	0	1	1	19
Matthew Stanley	51	0	1	1	50
Ethan Regnier	1	0	0	0	0
Logan Barlage	4	0	0	0	0
Quinton Waitzner	5	0	0	0	0
Noah King	5	0	0	0	4
Josh Baker	5	0	0	0	0

TRI-CITY AMERICANS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Morgan Geekie (Car)	72	35	55	90	40
Tyler Sandhu	72	23	60	83	41
Parker Wotherspoon (NYI)	69	10	56	66	99
Juuso Valimaki (Cgy)	60	19	42	61	34
Vladislav Lukin	63	26	32	58	46
Kyle Olson (Ana)	72	20	37	57	52
Michael Rasmussen (Det)	50	32	23	55	50
Jordan Topping	43	28	25	53	33
Dylan Coghlan	71	15	38	53	26
Parker AuCoin	72	21	22	43	23
Nolan Yaremko	67	8	14	22	73
Brett Leason	68	8	10	18	6
Maxwell James	39	8	9	17	62
Dalton Yorke	72	0	15	15	149
Carson Focht	62	3	5	8	12
Austyn Playfair	36	3	4	7	2
Riley Sawchuk	55	2	5	7	13
Brendan O'Reilly	66	1	6	7	54
Dakota Krebs	70	2	2	4	31
Keltie Jeri-Leon	46	2	1	3	4
Seth Bafaro	28	0	1	1	14
Sasha Mutala	3	0	0	0	2
Landon Fuller	6	0	0	0	11
Colten Gerlib	7	0	0	0	0

VANCOUVER GIANTS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Ty Ronning (NYR)	68	25	28	53	35
James Malm	69	20	31	51	18
Tyler Benson (Edm)	33	11	31	42	31
Calvin Spencer	66	16	13	29	71
Matt Barberis	48	10	15	25	46
Johnny Wesley	47	11	13	24	43
Jack Flaman	71	15	7	22	31
Dylan Plouffe	61	4	17	21	52
Brendan Semchuk	63	8	12	20	48
Brayden Watts	70	7	11	18	10
Jordan Borstmayer	64	7	7	14	20
Dawson Holt	39	6	8	14	32
Owen Hardy	65	5	9	14	42
Jordan Wharrie	71	5	7	12	52
Darian Skeoch	27	1	9	10	46
Tyler Popowich	53	7	2	9	44
Bartek Bison	37	7	1	8	15
Tristyn DeRoose	55	1	5	6	91
Taden Rattie	46	1	4	5	86
Jeff Rayman	65	3	1	4	37
Ryan Jones	38	0	4	4	26
Alex Kannok-Leipert	8	1	2	3	6
Marcus Kichton	47	1	2	3	30
Tyler Brown	16	0	2	2	16
Josh Bruce	6	1	0	1	4
Austin King-Cunningham	3	0	1	1	0
Hunor Torzsok	4	0	1	1	2
Tyler Ho	7	0	1	1	0
Bailey Dhaliwal	29	0	1	1	24
Aidan Barfoot	4	0	0	0	4
Evan Patrician	5	0	0	0	0
Bowen Byram	11	0	0	0	8
Kaleb Bulych	12	0	0	0	0

VICTORIA ROYALS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Matthew Phillips (Cgy)	70	50	40	90	50
Jack Walker (Tor)	70	31	41	72	65
Dante Hannoun	72	25	39	64	26
Tyler Soy (Ana)	44	25	30	55	15
Chaz Reddekopp (LA)	51	10	33	43	63
Regan Nagy	69	18	23	41	34
Vladimir Bobylev (Tor)	38	9	27	36	53
Ryan Peckford	45	13	21	34	20
Scott Walford (Mtl)	60	6	24	30	36
Jared Dmytriw	59	15	11	26	36
Ralph Jarratt	65	2	19	21	28
Ryan Gagnon	67	1	18	19	103
Ethan Price	70	8	10	18	21
Carter Folk	68	7	11	18	105
Loch Morrison	67	3	15	18	73
Marsel Ibragimov	72	2	10	12	42
Blake Bargar	61	6	4	10	52
Eric Florchuk	51	3	6	9	22
Mitchell Prowse	38	2	7	9	8
Kaid Oliver	61	2	5	7	74
Spencer Gerth	61	2	1	3	43
Jeremy Masella	28	0	1	1	30
Dino Kambeitz	2	0	0	0	0
Gunnar Wegleitner	12	0	0	0	0

GOALTENDING STATISTICS

Brandon	GP	Min.	W	GAA	SP
Travis Child	9	529	4	2.84	.894
Logan Thompson	40	2,299	14	3.24	.908
Jordan Papirny	26	1,536	13	3.24	.906
Calgary	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Cody Porter	34	1,871	14	3.46	.888
Kyle Dumba	28	1,351	7	4.00	.860
Trevor Martin	22	1,139	9	4.06	.859
Edmonton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Liam Hughes	7	423	1	3.26	.895
Patrick Dea	55	3,120	19	3.86	.882
Josh Dechaine	17	788	3	4.41	.876
Everett	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Dorrin Luding	1	7	0	0.00	1.000
Lasse Petersen	1	60	1	1.00	.923
Carter Hart (Phi)	54	3,078	32	1.99	.927
Mario Petit	22	1,209	11	2.93	.896
Kamloops	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Connor Ingram (TB)	45	2,577	26	2.44	.927
Dylan Ferguson (Dal)	31	1,706	16	2.74	.922
Max Palaga	1	19	0	3.16	.857
Carter Phair	1	38	0	4.68	.842
Kelowna	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Brodan Salmond	23	1,217	12	2.76	.891
Michael Herringer	55	3,125	33	2.78	.904
Kootenay	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Payton Lee	53	2,914	10	4.16	.894
Jakob Walter	30	1,291	4	5.02	.868
Declan Hobbs	3	142	0	7.16	.800
Lethbridge	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Stuart Skinner (Edm)	60	3,386	34	3.26	.905
Ryan Gilchrist	18	851	9	3.60	.890
Adam Swan	3	104	1	4.63	.860
Medicine Hat	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Michael Bullion	25	1,346	16	2.90	.901
Nick Schneider (Cgy)	47	2,588	32	3.43	.886
Duncan McGovern	7	365	3	4.28	.854
Jake Morrissey	1	12	0	4.92	.667
Moose Jaw	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Ryan Gardiner	1	0	0	.000	
Zach Sawchenko	51	2,985	30	2.79	.917
Brody Willms	25	1,368	12	3.11	.907
Portland	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Cole Kehler	56	3,151	32	3.10	.910
Michael Bullion	12	638	5	3.76	.891
Shane Farkas	10	541	3	4.66	.860
Prince Albert	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Ian Scott (Tor)	50	2,649	12	3.69	.895
Nicholas Sanders	34	1,562	8	3.80	.892
Rylan Parenteau	2	93	1	3.86	.895
Prince George	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Ty Edmonds	53	3,092	31	2.48	.916
Nick McBride	22	1,257	14	3.05	.903
Red Deer	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Lasse Petersen	40	2,066	16	3.25	.896
Riley Lamb	41	2,126	14	3.39	.899
Trevor Martin	3	145	0	4.14	.888
Byron Fancy	1	32	0	5.54	.833
Regina	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Tyler Brown	50	2,885	33	2.64	.911
Jordan Hollett (Ott)	19	1,143	15	2.83	.901
Max Paddock	5	279	4	3.01	.903
Kurtis Chapman	2	39	0	9.18	.760
Saskatoon	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Logan Flodell	48	2,795	22	2.81	.912
Brock Hamm	28	1,601	6	4.01	.877
Seattle	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Carl Stankowski	7	358	3	2.18	.910
Rylan Toth	58	3,274	36	2.75	.902
Matt Berlin	13	702	7	2.82	.902
Spokane	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Dawson Weatherill	36	1,892	11	3.58	.885
Jayden Sittler	43	2,287	16	3.59	.880
Donovan Buskey	4	155	0	4.25	.866
Matt Berlin	1	10	0	6.07	.750
Swift Current	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Taz Burman	37	2,026	18	2.96	.907
Travis Child	24	1,365	13	3.03	.902
Jordan Papirny	17	971	8	3.15	.909
Bailey Brkin	1	60	0	10.00	.811
Tri-City	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Nicholas Sanders	3	158	2	2.66	.892
Rylan Parenteau	42	2,266	25	3.26	.900
Beck Warm	10	548	3	3.40	.902
Evan Sarthou	25	1,350	11	3.56	.901
Vancouver	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Ryan Kubic	56	3,222	15	3.67	.895
David Tendeck	22	1,118	5	4.78	.856
Victoria	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Griffen Outhouse	63	3,558	34	2.85	.915
Dylan Myskiw	17	773	3	3.26	.886
Dean McNabb	1	2	0	49.32	.500

2016-17 REGULAR SEASON

MARITIMES DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Saint John	68	48	14	5	1	287	180	102
Charlottetown	68	46	18	4	0	303	214	96
A.-Bathurst	68	39	23	4	2	284	242	84
Cape Breton	68	39	25	2	2	270	230	82
Halifax	68	27	35	3	3	229	259	60
Moncton	68	14	51	2	1	170	356	31

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
Shawinigan	68	42	20	4	2	258	184	90
Chicoutimi	68	38	25	3	2	206	205	81
Victoriaville	68	35	25	6	2	230	231	78
Quebec	68	31	30	4	3	187	237	69
Baie-Comeau	68	26	32	6	4	203	230	62
Rimouski	68	26	35	6	1	229	255	59

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	OL	SL	GF	GA	P
R.-Noranda	68	43	18	2	5	272	181	93
B.-Boisbriand	68	43	19	4	2	224	171	92
Gatineau	68	33	31	4	0	234	253	70
Drumm'dville	68	28	34	1	5	214	263	62
Val-d'Or	68	28	35	3	2	210	265	61
Sherbrooke	68	26	38	1	3	214	268	56

*Teams receive one point for an overtime loss (OL) and a shootout loss (SL).

REGULAR SEASON SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Vitalii Abramov, Gat (Clb)	66	46	58	104
2.	Tyler Boland, Rim	68	48	55	103
3.	F. Beauchemin, VdO/Cha	69	45	52	97
4.	Filip Chlapik, Cha (Ott)	57	34	57	91
5.	Giovanni Fiore, CB (Ana)	61	52	38	90
6.	Christophe Boivin, Bat	68	43	47	90
7.	Alexandre Goulet, Vic	68	39	50	89
8.	Matt Highmore, SNB (Chi)	64	34	55	89
9.	Maxime Fortier, Hal	68	32	55	87
10.	Nico Hischier, Hal (NJ)	57	38	48	86
11.	Alex Barre-Boulet, Dru/BLB	65	29	52	81
12.	Antoine Waked, RN (Mtl)	67	39	41	80
13.	Nicolas Roy, Chi (Car)	53	36	44	80
14.	Mathieu Joseph, SNB (TB)	54	36	44	80
15.	J-C Beaudin, RN (Col)	65	30	50	80
16.	S. Smallman, SNB (Car)	60	30	49	79
17.	Joey Ratelle, Dru/Chi	62	41	36	77
18.	Dylan Montcalm, Rim	62	16	60	76
19.	Dennis Yan, Sha (TB)	64	46	29	75
20.	Samuel Girard, Sha (Nsh)	59	9	66	75
21.	Kameron Kielly, Cha	65	34	40	74
22.	Zack MacEwen, Gat (Van)	66	31	43	74
23.	Antoine Morand, Bat (Ana)	67	28	46	74
24.	Alex Dostie, Gat/Cha (Ana)	63	30	41	71
25.	Massimo Carozza, CB	63	27	42	69

REGULAR SEASON GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Callum Booth, Que/SNB (Car)	47	2.59	.911
2.	Etienne Montpetit, VdO	40	3.14	.909
3.	Mikhail Denisov, Sha	52	2.45	.909
4.	Francis Leclerc, BLB	30	2.31	.908
5.	S. Montembeault, BLB (Fla)	41	2.40	.907
6.	Blade Mann-Dixon, Cha/Hal	28	2.92	.907
7.	A. Dumont-Bouchard, Dru/Bat	35	2.76	.906
8.	Alex D'Orio, SNB	28	2.40	.903
9.	Antoine Samuel, BaC	52	3.16	.902
10.	Brendan Cregan, She	10	3.35	.902

PRESIDENT CUP FINAL

SAINT JOHN 4 VS. BLAINVILLE-BOISBRIAND 0

PLAYOFF SCORING LEADERS

		GP	G	A	P
1.	Mathieu Joseph, SNB (TB)	18	13	19	32
2.	Alex Barre-Boulet, BLB	20	14	17	31
3.	Matthew Highmore, SNB (Chi)	18	6	18	24
4.	Thomas Chabot, SNB (Ott)	18	5	18	23
5.	Spencer Smallman, SNB (Car)	18	11	11	22
6.	Pierre-Luc Dubois, BLB (Clb)	19	9	13	22
7.	Nicolas Roy, Chi (Car)	17	8	13	21
8.	Dmitry Zhukenov, Chi (Van)	17	6	15	21
9.	Daniel Sprong, Cha (Pit)	12	9	11	20
10.	J-C Beaudin, RN (Col)	13	8	12	20

PLAYOFF GOALTENDING LEADERS

		GP	GAA	SP
1.	Etienne Montpetit, VdO	10	3.16	.928
2.	Alexis Gravel, Hal	6	2.92	.924
3.	Callum Booth, SNB (Car)	18	1.67	.923
4.	Tristan Berube, Gat	6	2.85	.917
5.	Mark Grametbauer, Cha	12	2.56	.913

ACADIE-BATHURST TITAN

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Christophe Boivin	68	43	47	90	44
Antoine Morand (Ana)	67	28	46	74	52
Vladimir Kuznetsov	68	30	38	68	18
Daniil Miromanov	68	22	40	62	20
Jeffrey Truchon-Viel	63	35	25	60	117
Rodrigo Abols (Van)	52	18	32	50	43
Dawson Theede	58	24	25	49	107
Jordan Maher	64	19	26	45	24
Luc Deschenes	62	5	32	37	148
Zachary Malatesta	58	11	25	36	73
Felix Boivin	67	12	23	35	32
Adam Holwell	65	5	29	34	28
Noah Dobson	63	7	19	26	40
Samuel L'Italien	51	4	20	24	14
Olivier Desjardins	68	4	18	22	29
Kynan Berger	55	5	7	12	10
Cole Rafuse	62	4	5	9	30
William Lemay-Champagne	52	1	8	9	2
Elijah Francis	17	2	6	8	16
Matthew Ferrari	31	0	6	6	10
Aaron Brisebois	42	2	3	5	4
Joakim Paradis	18	1	0	1	12
Evan White	1	0	0	0	0
Justin Guitard	1	0	0	0	0
Keegan Gauthier	1	0	0	0	2
Justin Ducharme	2	0	0	0	0
Jacob Boucher	4	0	0	0	0

BAIE-COMEAU DRAKKAR

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Ivan Chekhovich (SJ)	60	26	33	59	14
Jordan Martel	68	25	26	51	35
D'Artagnan Joly (Cgy)	66	16	32	48	35
Simon Chevrier	64	17	29	46	90
Vincent Deslauriers	68	23	22	45	20
Xavier Bouchard	63	4	30	34	26
Matteo Pietroniro	63	6	23	29	84
Noah Corson	61	10	15	25	77
Samuel Thibault	68	6	15	21	81
Yan Aucoin	68	3	18	21	51
Edouard St-Laurent	41	8	10	18	10
Gabriel Fortier	25	11	6	17	4
Antoine Girard	60	10	7	17	75
Matt Jones	21	5	9	14	19
Christopher Benoit	61	5	9	14	38
Shawn Element	55	8	5	13	45
Kevin Lamontagne	31	5	8	13	6
Vincent Lavoie	32	9	3	12	19
Mikael Sabourin	60	0	11	11	101
Jean-Simon Belanger	24	2	5	7	0
Éric Leger	26	4	2	6	10
Danyck Calgaro	36	0	2	2	58
Jamey Lauzon	14	0	1	1	24
Louis Jr Tardif	60	0	1	1	10
Samuel Dickner	1	0	0	0	2
Zachary St.Surin	21	0	0	0	16
Daniil Kiselev	42	0	0	0	6

BLAINVILLE-BOISBRIAND ARMADA

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Alex Barre-Boulet	65	29	52	81	42
Pierre-Luc Dubois (Clb)	48	21	34	55	78
Alexandre Alain	54	29	23	52	60
Joel Teasdale	60	18	29	47	25
Connor Bramwell	68	22	22	44	22
TJ Melancon	67	19	25	44	30
Alexander Katerinakis	57	12	26	38	29
Pascal Corbeil	67	4	32	36	6
Miguel Picard	61	12	22	34	26
Guillaume Beaudoin	61	7	26	33	35
Yvan Mongo	57	13	16	29	16
Shaun Miller	52	12	15	27	19
Anthony Poulin	63	6	15	21	32
Thomas Ethier	56	8	11	19	23
Tobie Paquette-Bisson	66	6	11	17	19
Morgan Adams-Moisan	62	5	7	12	69
Michael Kemp	41	0	11	11	46
Charlie Roy	64	3	7	10	52
Remy Anglehart	25	6	3	9	6
Brock Perry	29	4	3	7	27
Antoine Crete-Belzile	39	2	5	7	12
Luke Henman	6	1	3	4	0
Jeremy Roy (SJ)	10	2	1	3	9
Christian Wejse	23	2	1	3	11
Maxime Collin	9	1	1	2	2
Charles-Antoine Giguere	9	0	1	1	6
Kyle Havlena	3	0	0	0	2
Jesse Hilton	5	0	0	0	8
Yan-Cedric Gaudreault	5	0	0	0	0
Anthony Morin	5	0	0	0	0
Samuel Bolduc	6	0	0	0	0

CAPE BRETON SCREAMING EAGLES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Giovanni Fiore (Ana)	61	52	38	90	42
Massimo Carozza	63	27	42	69	38
Drake Batherson (Ott)	61	22	36	58	70
Vasily Glotov (Buf)	64	15	35	50	14
Phelix Martineau	64	28	19	47	93
Olivier LeBlanc	58	10	33	43	46
Jordan Ty Fournier	66	18	21	39	94
Ross MacDougall	63	10	29	39	53
Leon Gawanke (Wpg)	54	8	24	32	26
Tyler Hylland	60	12	18	30	34
Peyton Hoyt	57	12	15	27	43
Declan Smith	65	8	18	26	53
Adam McCormick	51	5	16	21	10
Yannik Bertrand	60	9	11	20	118
Olivier Bourret	48	7	6	13	17
Mathias Laferriere	33	5	7	12	8
Marcus Tesink	54	2	10	12	41
Sacha Roy	45	3	6	9	69
Alexis Sansfacon	48	0	8	8	33
Logan O'Neil	17	2	4	6	2
Anthony Beauchamp	17	1	5	6	11
Joseph Mizzi	4	1	1	2	0
Jacob Hickey	1	0	0	0	2
Gabriel Proulx	2	0	0	0	0
Avery Warner	3	0	0	0	0
Ryan MacLellan	5	0	0	0	2
Kyle McGrath	5	0	0	0	2

CHARLOTTETOWN ISLANDERS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Francois Beauchemin	69	45	52	97	76
Filip Chlapik (Ott)	57	34	57	91	98
Kameron Kielly	65	34	40	74	38
Alex Dostie (Ana)	63	30	41	71	14
Carl Neill	67	13	56	69	46
Daniel Sprong (Pit)	31	32	27	59	8
Nicolas Meloche (Col)	61	16	31	47	73
Guillaume Brisebois (Van)	61	10	37	47	34
Pierre-Olivier Joseph (Ari)	62	6	33	39	54
Keith Getson	61	17	17	34	34
Adam Marsh	41	13	21	34	89
Gregor MacLeod	55	6	25	31	37
Pascal Aquin	68	14	16	30	80
Chris Chaddock	40	13	15	28	8
Matthew Grouchy	62	11	17	28	22
William Bower	64	12	9	21	66
Saku Vesterinen	57	3	16	19	16
Dillon Boucher	56	4	8	12	67
Jean-Sebastien Taillefer	53	2	7	9	60
Sam King	44	4	4	8	20
Tyler MacArthur	31	2	3	5	37
Hunter Drew	42	0	3	3	69
Ian McKinnon	17	0	1	1	28
Dominic Hachey	1	0	0	0	0
Marc-Olivier Alain	2	0	0	0	2
Zach Thususka	2	0	0	0	0
Austin Taylor	2	0	0	0	2
Andrew Murphy	2	0	0	0	2
Evan Gallant	3	0	0	0	0

CHICOUTIMI SAGUENEENS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Nicolas Roy (Car)	53	36	44	80	46
Joey Ratelle	62	41	36	77	113
Dmitry Zhukenov (Van)	64	18	47	65	40
Frederic Allard (Nsh)	63	14	51	65	42
Kelly Klima	66	22	27	49	72
Olivier Galipeau	69	10	35	45	101
Kevin Klima	61	8	28	36	74
Brendan Hamelin	60	13	10	23	29
German Rubtsov (Phi)	16	9	13	22	4
Vincent Tremblay-Lapalme	66	9	11	20	26
Antoine Marcoux	59	6	11	17	12
Louis-Philippe Simard	63	2	14	16	23
Mathieu Desgagnes	47	6	9	15	4
Zachary Lavigne	65	5	10	15	18
Julien Carignan-Labbe	68	4	10	14	57
Kody Gagnon	51	3	9	12	33
Jeremy Groleau	59	3	9	12	19
Keenan MacIsaac	51	2	10	12	18
Mark Bzowey	67	4	5	9	76
Samuel Houde	41	2	7	9	14
Morgan Nauss	55	2	7	9	35
Noah Bushnell	20	1	0	1	32
Nathan Larose	7	0	1	1	2
Marc-Antoine Gagne	11	0	1	1	0
Marc-Antoine Fiset	1	0	0	0	0
Timothe Simard	2	0	0	0	2
Felix-Antoine Marcotty	2	0	0	0	0
Simon Monette	12	0	0	0	4

DRUMMONDVILLE VOLTIGEURS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Mathieu Sevigny	58	25	27	52	70
Pavel Koltygin (Nsh)	65	22	25	47	44
Ryan Verbeek	53	20	22	42	25
Nicolas Beaudin	64	5	36	41	26
Nathan Hudgin	60	17	15	32	76
Marc-Olivier Duquette	68	4	21	25	39
Nicolas Guay	35	10	13	23	30
William Poirier	67	6	17	23	50
Anthony Boucher	66	9	13	22	33
Ryan DaSilva	54	4	11	15	18
Samuel Gaumond	54	7	7	14	18
Charles-Olivier Ouimet	52	5	7	12	14
Andrew Shewfelt	29	5	4	9	6
Robert Lynch	37	2	7	9	2
Jerome Gravel	59	1	8	9	33
Matthew Newbury	28	4	4	8	4
Daven Castonguay	53	3	5	8	73
Jarrett Baker	64	3	4	7	27
Jeremy Manseau	34	3	3	6	25
Xavier Bernard	55	1	5	6	20
Kristian Afanasyev	11	4	1	5	2
Guillaume Desmarais	35	1	1	2	15
Jean-Simon Dionne	18	1	0	1	9
Antoine Palardy	3	0	1	1	2
Jacob Brousseau	3	0	1	1	0
Charlie Lacombe	2	0	0	0	0
Jeremy Cote	4	0	0	0	0
Carl-Olivier Dignard	4	0	0	0	2
Frederik Theoret	6	0	0	0	2
Jeremy Bouchard	8	0	0	0	2

GATINEAU OLYMPIQUES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Vitalii Abramov (Clb)	66	46	58	104	76
Zack MacEwen (Van)	66	31	43	74	90
Yakov Trenin (Nsh)	54	30	37	67	84
Mitchell Balmas	67	21	30	51	10
Daniel Del Paggio	66	15	36	51	22
Shawn Boudrias	58	17	16	33	12
Jeffrey Durocher	67	14	14	28	34
Alex Breton	67	3	25	28	42
Will Thompson	65	4	23	27	47
Gabriel Bilodeau	60	5	15	20	50
Alexandre Landreville	68	6	11	17	61
Vincent Milot-Ouellet	40	7	9	16	10
Marc-Olivier Crevier-Morin	68	6	10	16	110
Jake Barter	61	4	11	15	59
Anthony Gagnon	50	4	3	7	17
William Basque	60	3	4	7	6
Jacob Lapierre	67	2	5	7	71
Ryan O'Bonsawin	35	1	5	6	21
Matthew Thorpe	39	3	2	5	6
Chiwetin Blacksmith	22	0	5	5	2
Eric Eschweiler	58	3	1	4	19
Carl Gervais	27	1	2	3	18
Simon Leclerc	13	0	2	2	17
Dominik Blain-Dupuis	12	0	1	1	10
Alec Malo	1	0	0	0	0
Tristan Belliveau	1	0	0	0	0
Jacob Garon-Landry	1	0	0	0	0
Guillaume Bergeron-Charron	2	0	0	0	0
Jacob Dumouchel	2	0	0	0	0
Gregory Di Tomaso	2	0	0	0	0
Charles-Antoine Roy	5	0	0	0	4

HALIFAX MOOSEHEADS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Maxime Fortier	68	32	55	87	20
Nico Hischier (NJ)	57	38	48	86	24
Jake Coughler	61	31	22	53	45
Connor Moynihan	55	21	20	41	93
Otto Somppi (TB)	60	17	24	41	30
Arnaud Durandeau (NYI)	64	15	26	41	70
Frederic Aube	59	9	23	32	84
Jared McIsaac	59	4	28	32	60
Benoit-Olivier Groulx	62	17	14	31	34
Bradley Kennedy	37	10	19	29	54
Jocktan Chainey (NJ)	55	4	20	24	44
Joel Bishop	65	3	20	23	69
Keigan Goetz	59	8	12	20	144
Ben Higgins	59	13	5	18	12
Cooper Jones	67	6	12	18	47
Mathieu Charlebois	61	2	13	15	102
Jordan Lepage	61	0	14	14	117
Anthony Sorrentino	35	5	7	12	24
Brett Crossley	49	3	8	11	18
Walter Flower	47	2	8	10	40
Raphael Lavoie	32	6	3	9	26
Barrett Dachyshyn	35	3	6	9	39
Caleb Rich	28	0	2	2	13
Adam Nolan	3	0	0	0	0
Ian MacPhee	4	0	0	0	0

MONCTON WILDCATS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Jeremy McKenna	66	16	10	26	20
Julien Tessier	38	9	16	25	14
Adam Capannelli	66	5	20	25	51
Axel Simic	56	5	18	23	12
Mika Cyr	35	10	11	21	6
Simon Le Coultre	66	3	18	21	67
Liam Murphy	67	11	9	20	47
Alexandre Renaud	38	11	7	18	29
Anthony Wojcik	58	8	9	17	95
Duncan MacIntyre	60	6	11	17	32
Charles Taillon	53	8	4	12	58

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Derek Dicaire	59	7	5	12	8
Jonathan Aspirot	64	3	9	12	37
Maxim Baillargeon	65	1	11	12	70
Louis-Philip Fortin	41	2	8	10	26
Samuel Meisenheimer	48	4	4	8	22
Francis Thibeault	35	0	6	6	16
Gerald Blackmore	8	1	4	5	0
Dakota Miskolczi	11	2	2	4	12
Connor Senken	53	2	2	4	28
Logan Johnston	31	2	1	3	16
Ilya Putintsev	8	0	3	3	4
Jacob Hudson	10	0	3	3	0
Brendan Bornstein	2	0	1	1	0
Dakota Miskolczi	5	0	1	1	4
Ryan Mooney	16	0	1	1	8
Brodie MacArthur	1	0	0	0	0
Alexandre Veilleux	1	0	0	0	5
Émile Bourque	2	0	0	0	0
Casey Fox	2	0	0	0	0
Chris Murphy	3	0	0	0	2
Tristan Mercure	4	0	0	0	0
Noah Massie	43	0	0	0	12

QUEBEC REMPARTS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Philipp Kurashev	65	21	33	54	10
Matthew Boucher	51	27	20	47	59
Mathieu Ayotte	39	18	23	41	28
Derek Gentile	66	22	13	35	10
Olivier Garneau	58	19	16	35	41
Christian Huntley	67	11	18	29	24
Dmitry Buynitskiy	51	8	20	28	23
Raphael Maheux	68	0	23	23	40
Louis-Filip Cote	65	7	13	20	12
Benjamin Gagne	58	6	11	17	46
Jesse Sutton	52	8	8	16	4
Jonathan Bourcier	29	6	10	16	18
Yanick Turcotte	60	4	11	15	82
Andrew Coxhead	56	5	8	13	14
Shaun Bily	26	4	7	11	6
Darien Kielb	53	4	6	10	14
Samuel Hould	23	2	7	9	21
Igor Jr Larionov	25	5	3	8	0
Mikael Robidoux	57	4	4	8	71
Etienne Verrette	50	1	7	8	4
Olivier Mathieu	34	4	3	7	16
Aaron Dutra	20	1	6	7	20
Andrew Picco	36	0	7	7	23
Alexandre Drapeau	49	2	2	4	67
Jeremy Laframboise	23	2	0	2	2
Ethan Crossman	24	1	1	2	4
Guillaume St-Pierre	1	0	0	0	0
Liam Leonard	2	0	0	0	0
Bryce O'Brien	15	0	0	0	6

RIMOUSKI OCEANIC

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Tyler Boland	68	48	55	103	24
Dylan Montcalm	62	16	60	76	58
Samuel Laberge	40	18	27	45	33
Charle-Edouard D'Astous	67	13	27	40	40
Denis Mikhnin	59	20	19	39	38
Daniel Hardie	45	18	20	38	26
Antoine Dufort-Plante	21	13	18	31	22
Carson MacKinnon	65	13	14	27	20
Hunter Moreau	47	12	13	25	18
Dominic Cormier	68	6	18	24	34
Alexandre Grise	61	8	12	20	31
Alex-Olivier Voyer	65	7	13	20	102
Maxim Trepanier	29	4	7	11	6
Artem Maltsev	33	3	8	11	36
Nicolas Dumulong	50	2	9	11	95
Wilson Forest	53	2	9	11	8
Emanuel Aucoin	28	4	6	10	8
Louis-Philippe Denis	58	4	6	10	42
Justin Pare	35	4	5	9	12
Nicholas Blachman	38	3	3	6	80
Samuel Hunter	41	2	4	6	27
Karl Boudrias	39	0	4	4	13
Nick Gosse	42	1	2	3	10
Dominic Cormier	27	0	3	3	6
Vincent Martineau	28	0	3	3	17
Jamie Clavet	2	0	2	2	0
Duncan McKie	2	0	0	0	4
Anthony D'Amours	3	0	0	0	2
Vincent Ouellet-Beaudry	3	0	0	0	5
Alexis Girard	46	0	0	0	13

ROUYN-NORANDA HUSKIES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Antoine Waked (Mtl)	67	39	41	80	67
J-C Beaudin (Col)	65	30	50	80	33
Peter Abbandonato	64	19	37	56	26
Manuel Wiederer (SJ)	60	29	24	53	29
Gabriel Fontaine (NYR)	59	23	29	52	37
Alexandre Fortin (Chi)	52	22	30	52	14
Mathieu Boucher	67	15	36	51	34
Martins Dzierkals (Tor)	47	21	28	49	44
Bruno-Carl Denis	68	12	34	46	46
Philippe Myers (Phi)	34	10	25	35	46
Jeremy Lauzon (Bos)	39	5	23	28	50
Rafael Harvey-Pinard	50	10	13	23	6
Zachary Lauzon (Pit)	63	3	18	21	90
Lane Cormier	54	12	7	19	110
Samuel Naud	60	3	14	17	38
Tyler Hinam	57	6	9	15	25
Hugo Despres	56	4	11	15	14
Taylor Ford	63	4	10	14	76
Felix Bibeau	55	5	8	13	46
William Cyr	38	7	3	10	14
Chris McQuaid	55	3	6	9	44
Jeremy Diotte	14	3	2	5	8
Cedric Chouinard	6	1	2	3	0
Jean-Christophe Gagne	4	1	0	1	0
Jeremy Leveille	2	0	1	1	0
Alexis Arsenault	4	0	1	1	0
Justin Bergeron	8	0	1	1	0
Jacob Neveu	21	0	1	1	12
Raphael Champoux	1	0	0	0	2
Samuel Ianniciello	2	0	0	0	0
Vincent Marleau	2	0	0	0	0

SAINT JOHN SEA DOGS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Matthew Highmore (Chi)	64	34	55	89	46
Mathieu Joseph (TB)	54	36	44	80	57
Spencer Smallman (Car)	60	30	49	79	35
Simon Bourque (Mtl)	59	15	41	56	58
Bokondji Imama (LA)	66	41	14	55	105
Samuel Dove-McFalls	65	17	36	53	57
Julien Gauthier (Car)	43	17	34	51	40
Nathan Noel (Chi)	52	24	26	50	82
Thomas Chabot (Ott)	34	10	35	45	43
Jakub Zboril (Bos)	50	9	32	41	44
Joe Veleno	45	13	27	40	18
Cole Reginato	66	9	20	29	108
Alexandre Bernier	55	4	16	20	45
Cedric Pare (Bos)	64	5	11	16	26
Samuel Leblanc	54	7	7	14	4
Matt Green	45	6	8	14	18
Kyle Ward	57	6	8	14	124
Chase Stewart	48	3	8	11	71
Bailey Webster	57	2	9	11	47
Oliver Felixson	55	2	7	9	37
Landon Quinney	35	1	7	8	20
David Comeau	26	2	2	4	9
Alexandre Lafreniere	13	1	2	3	6
John Warren	4	2	0	2	0
Gabriel Bettez	2	1	0	1	2
Isiah Campbell	3	1	0	1	0
Ian Smallwood	9	1	0	1	0
Liam Conrad	3	0	1	1	0
Zach Grzelewski	12	0	1	1	4
Simon Elsliger	1	0	0	0	0
Matthew Pietroniro	3	0	0	0	0
Ben Reid	5	0	0	0	0
Bryson Michel	13	0	0	0	4

SHAWINIGAN CATARACTES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Dennis Yan (TB)	64	46	29	75	52
Samuel Girard (Nsh)	59	9	66	75	29
Brandon Gignac (NJ)	59	23	39	62	30
Alexis D'Aoust	50	29	31	60	36
Cameron Askew	68	27	29	56	38
Samuel Asselin	67	17	39	56	41
Nicholas Welsh	67	10	34	44	46
Cavan Fitzgerald (SJ)	47	15	25	40	20
Samuel Bucek	52	12	21	33	26
Justin Bernier	61	16	16	32	8
Samuel Guilbault	43	9	16	25	15
Mathieu Olivier	58	9	15	24	102
Antoine Demers	64	4	14	18	6
Samuel Blier	63	9	8	17	36
Jonathan Deschamps	64	8	8	16	34
Vincent Senez	53	7	8	15	32
Gabriel Sylvestre	57	1	12	13	92
Simon Benoit	64	2	10	12	47
William Gignac	15	3	7	10	6
Tommy Cardinal	48	3	3	6	59
Renat Dadadzhanov	27	0	5	5	4
Alex Lavoie	19	1	3	4	14
Dakota Miskolczi	6	2	1	3	8
Daniil Sokolka	18	1	2	3	2
Alex Plamondon	9	0	2	2	2
Gabriel Denis	10	0	2	2	0
Jeremy Fortin	2	0	0	0	0
Mathieu Samson	2	0	0	0	0
Xavier Pouliot	7	0	0	0	2

SHERBROOKE PHOENIX

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Thomas Gregoire	66	10	54	64	26
Julien Pelletier	65	29	32	61	54
Hugo Roy	68	34	26	60	4
Yaroslav Alexeyev	60	24	28	52	29
Marek Zachar	57	18	25	43	22
Anderson MacDonald	50	29	12	41	38
Cody Donaghey (Ott)	52	11	29	40	39
Luke Green (Wpg)	60	5	32	37	56
Felix Robert	45	7	16	23	14
Julien Bahl	62	2	20	22	54
Nicolas Roy	60	6	9	15	6
Kevin Gilbert	36	5	10	15	22
Jack Kilgour	29	4	7	11	31
Jason Imbeault	66	7	3	10	6
Nicolas Poulin	20	4	6	10	27
Alexander Krief	44	2	7	9	22
Benjamin Tardif	63	2	7	9	15
Evan MacKinnon	54	5	3	8	4
Vincent Lampron	61	0	8	8	43
Patrice Demuy	34	3	2	5	11
Dany Coulombe	12	2	3	5	2
Yann-Felix Lapointe	34	0	5	5	12
Brock MacLeod	24	2	2	4	4
Johnatan Legault	47	2	2	4	61
Edouard Michaud	13	1	3	4	0
Simon Lefebvre	48	1	3	4	29
Olivier Schingh-Gomez	12	1	1	2	61
Felip Bourdeau	8	0	1	1	0
Nathan Todd	1	0	0	0	0
Olivier Crete-Belzile	1	0	0	0	0
Tristan Gagnon	2	0	0	0	0
Jacob Graveline	2	0	0	0	0
Nathael Roy	5	0	0	0	2

VAL-D'OR FOREURS

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Alexis Pepin	64	24	27	51	99
Charley Graaskamp	61	14	31	45	62
Jake Smith	66	22	22	44	25
Mathieu Nadeau	47	23	19	42	26
Maxim Mizyurin	58	13	29	42	18
Simon Lafrance	68	19	22	41	10
Adam Cheezo	66	10	25	35	6
Ivan Kozlov	53	18	14	32	26
David Noel (StL)	65	11	21	32	29
David Henley	55	5	16	21	106
Nicolas Ouellet	59	11	9	20	12
Jason Bell	55	3	17	20	35
Tommy Lemay	47	6	6	12	31
Tyler Higgins	59	2	10	12	74
Sean O'Brien	55	2	9	11	19
Mederick Racicot	62	1	7	8	56
Yohan Plamondon	36	4	3	7	9
Yan Dion	58	3	4	7	22
Jack Van Boekel	36	0	6	6	84
Alexandre Couture	39	2	3	5	10
Skylar Strumas	49	0	5	5	41
Charles Farmer	7	2	0	2	2
Frederick Denicourt-Fournier	48	0	2	2	8
Silas Mattawashish	33	0	1	1	8
Jean-Philippe Turgeon	2	0	0	0	0
Logan Timmons	3	0	0	0	2
Mikael Emond	4	0	0	0	4
Linden Namagoose	4	0	0	0	0
Pierre-Olivier Bourque	7	0	0	0	0
Alexandre Dufour	7	0	0	0	2
Frederic Abraham	10	0	0	0	2

VICTORIAVILLE TIGRES

Player	GP	G	A	P	PIM
Alexandre Goulet	68	39	50	89	58
Ivan Kosorenkov	68	34	29	63	40
James Phelan	68	26	33	59	85
Maxime Comtois (Ana)	64	22	29	51	88
Felix Lauzon	51	21	30	51	43
Vincent Lanoue	67	10	38	48	50
Pascal Laberge (Phi)	46	12	20	32	35
Bradley Lalonde	49	11	20	31	20
Jeremie Beaudin	54	4	22	26	16
Tristan Pomerleau	44	5	19	24	36
Jimmy Huntington	64	6	15	21	31
Chase Harwell	54	8	12	20	76
Austin Eastman	41	6	14	20	10
Felix Meunier	54	7	7	14	23
Nicolas Latulippe	48	3	9	12	25
Antoine Lessard	63	6	3	9	44
Andrew Smith	68	2	6	8	66
Pierre-Olivier Demers	52	0	7	7	44
Lucas Thierus	26	5	1	6	17
Justin Doucet	54	1	4	5	84
Cedric Desruisseaux	10	1	2	3	2
Samuel Beck	17	1	1	2	0
Felix Pare	7	1	0	1	0
Christopher Lanouette	16	0	1	1	32
Alexandre Gagnon	1	0	0	0	0
Joey Sansoni	1	0	0	0	0
Nicolas St-Pierre	2	0	0	0	0
Edouard Ouellet	3	0	0	0	0
Igor Galygin	4	0	0	0	0
Marco Cavalleri	4	0	0	0	2
Guillaume Beck	6	0	0	0	2
Benjamin Thibeault	8	0	0	0	0

GOALTENDING STATISTICS

Acadie-Bathurst	GP	Min.	W	GAA	SP
A. Dumont-Bouchard	23	1,323	13	2.86	.904
Reilly Pickard	35	1,791	19	3.22	.898
Simon Boudreault-Belzile	8	433	5	3.74	.878
Tanner Somers	3	184	0	4.24	.866
Francis Lavallee	5	194	1	5.89	.808
Danil Timchenko	4	164	1	6.61	.842
Baie-Comeau	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Justin Blanchette	10	608	5	2.76	.917
Antoine Samuel	52	3,053	19	3.16	.902
Xavier Bolduc	1	38	0	3.17	.833
Bo Taylor	4	140	0	3.42	.864
Trevor Martin	5	255	2	3.99	.868
Blainville-Boisbriand	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Francis Leclerc	30	1,664	15	2.31	.908
S. Montembeault (Fla)	41	2,226	28	2.40	.907
Jacob Stewart	5	204	0	3.54	.838
Cape Breton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Colten Ellis	3	144	2	2.50	.885
Kyle Jessiman	44	2,469	21	3.09	.898
Kevin Mandolese	27	1,469	16	3.47	.890
Charlottetown	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Mark Grametbauer	17	1,025	13	2.46	.910
Blade Mann-Dixon	16	875	9	3.16	.896
Matthew Welsh	38	2,207	24	3.24	.899
Chicoutimi	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Samuel Cardinal	3	116	1	2.06	.943
Julio Billia	38	2,048	20	2.72	.894
Xavier Potvin	33	1,765	16	2.82	.898
Alexis Shank	4	173	0	4.17	.854
Drummondville	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
A. Dumont-Bouchard	12	548	7	2.52	.911
Hugo Talbot-Tassi	1	20	0	3.00	.909
Émilien Boily	13	645	5	3.35	.893
Olivier Rodrigue	41	2,332	14	3.60	.878
Frederic Foulem	9	421	2	5.13	.841
Tommy Dery-Vigneault	3	135	0	6.66	.779
Gatineau	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Tristan Berube	19	749	4	3.20	.902
Mark Grametbauer	23	1,101	9	3.71	.888
Mathieu Bellemare	43	2,260	20	3.72	.880
Halifax	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Blade Mann-Dixon	12	686	5	2.62	.920
Alexis Gravel	50	2,628	17	3.36	.894
Kevin Resop	14	730	5	5.10	.831
Cole McLaren	1	43	0	5.61	.826
Moncton	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Alec MacDonald	3	158	0	3.79	.900
Julian Galloway	5	178	2	4.03	.842
Keven Bouchard	11	556	2	5.18	.849
Dominik Tmej	24	1,089	4	5.23	.856
Matthew Waite	46	2,111	6	5.26	.865
Quebec	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Callum Booth (Car)	21	1,212	13	2.87	.918
Dereck Baribeau	12	526	5	3.19	.900
Evgeny Kiselev	44	2,326	13	3.33	.901
Alex Bishop	2	46	0	5.19	.826
Samuel Cardinal	1	13	0	14.14	.727
Rimouski	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Charles-Olivier Levesque	20	1,005	4	3.40	.887
Alexandre Lagace	35	1,817	15	3.60	.881
Jimmy Lemay	17	704	5	3.75	.880
Gabriel Morency	10	511	3	3.87	.866
C-A Pagliarulo	3	52	0	5.77	.815
Rouyn-Noranda	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Zachary Emond	2	120	2	2.00	.913
Olivier Tremblay	17	987	12	2.13	.915
Samuel Harvey	43	2,499	26	2.62	.900
C-A Poirier-Turcot	9	484	3	2.85	.895
Saint John	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Callum Booth (Car)	26	1,456	18	2.35	.903
Alex D'Orio	28	1,499	19	2.40	.903
Alex Bishop	20	1,129	11	2.82	.888
Shawinigan	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Mikhail Denisov	52	3,010	31	2.45	.909
Zachary Bouthillier	20	1,088	11	3.09	.889
Sherbrooke	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Brendan Cregan	10	502	4	3.35	.902
Evan Fitzpatrick (StL)	49	2,741	16	3.46	.899
William Giroux	5	180	2	3.68	.880
Brady Labrecque	1	59	0	4.06	.852
Justin Blanchette	13	598	4	5.52	.834
Val-d'Or	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
Mathieu Marquis	1	59	0	3.04	.893
Etienne Montpetit	40	2,258	18	3.14	.909
Dereck Baribeau	23	1,212	7	4.26	.873
Alex Bishop	9	505	3	4.87	.871
Samuel Gagnon	1	60	0	6.00	.800
Victoriaville	**GP**	**Min.**	**W**	**GAA**	**SP**
James Povall	48	2,429	22	3.04	.896
Tristan Cote-Cazenave	16	805	7	3.43	.878
Olivier Tremblay	17	866	6	3.74	.874

OCTOBER

Visitor	Home	Time
Wednesday, Oct. 4		
Toronto	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Pittsburgh	8:00 pm
Calgary	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Philadelphia	San Jose	10:30 pm
Thursday, Oct. 5		
Nashville	Boston	7:00 pm
Montreal	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Colorado	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Washington	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Minnesota	Detroit	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Chicago	8:30 pm
Arizona	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Philadelphia	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Oct. 6		
NY Islanders	Columbus	7:00 pm
Florida	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Vegas	Dallas	8:30 pm
Saturday, Oct. 7		
NY Rangers	Toronto	7:00 pm
Detroit	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Florida	7:00 pm
Colorado	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Buffalo	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Nashville	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Montreal	Washington	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Carolina	7:00 pm
Dallas	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Columbus	Chicago	8:30 pm
Vegas	Arizona	9:00 pm
Winnipeg	Calgary	10:00 pm
Edmonton	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Philadelphia	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Los Angeles	San Jose	10:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 8		
Montreal	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Monday, Oct. 9		
Colorado	Boston	1:00 pm
St. Louis	NY Islanders	1:00 pm
New Jersey	Buffalo	3:00 pm
Chicago	Toronto	7:00 pm
Washington	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Calgary	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 10		
St. Louis	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Columbus	Carolina	7:00 pm
Chicago	Montreal	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Nashville	8:00 pm
Detroit	Dallas	8:30 pm
Ottawa	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Arizona	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 11		
New Jersey	Toronto	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Washington	7:30 pm
Boston	Colorado	9:30 pm
NY Islanders	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Calgary	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Thursday, Oct. 12		
Pittsburgh	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Florida	7:30 pm
Dallas	Nashville	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Chicago	8:30 pm
Winnipeg	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Detroit	Arizona	10:00 pm
Buffalo	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Oct. 13		
Washington	New Jersey	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Columbus	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Colorado	9:00 pm
Ottawa	Calgary	9:00 pm
Detroit	Vegas	10:30 pm
Saturday, Oct. 14		
Toronto	Montreal	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
New Jersey	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Washington	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Florida	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Carolina	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Colorado	Dallas	8:00 pm
Columbus	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Nashville	Chicago	8:30 pm
Boston	Arizona	9:00 pm
Ottawa	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Calgary	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Buffalo	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
NY Islanders	San Jose	10:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 15		
Boston	Vegas	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Anaheim	9:00 pm
NY Islanders	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Monday, Oct. 16		
Tampa Bay	Detroit	7:30 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 17		
Tampa Bay	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Florida	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Toronto	Washington	7:00 pm
Vancouver	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Colorado	Nashville	8:00 pm
Columbus	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Arizona	Dallas	8:30 pm
Carolina	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Buffalo	Vegas	10:00 pm
Montreal	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 18		
Detroit	Toronto	7:30 pm
Chicago	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Montreal	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Thursday, Oct. 19		
Vancouver	Boston	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Nashville	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Columbus	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Edmonton	Chicago	8:30 pm
St. Louis	Colorado	9:00 pm
Carolina	Calgary	9:00 pm
Dallas	Arizona	10:00 pm
Friday, Oct. 20		
Vancouver	Buffalo	7:00 pm
San Jose	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Washington	Detroit	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Florida	7:30 pm
Minnesota	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Montreal	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Oct. 21		
Nashville	NY Rangers	1:00 pm
Edmonton	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Buffalo	Boston	7:00 pm
Toronto	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
San Jose	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Florida	Washington	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Columbus	7:00 pm
Carolina	Dallas	8:00 pm
Chicago	Arizona	9:00 pm
Minnesota	Calgary	10:00 pm
St. Louis	Vegas	10:30 pm
Sunday, Oct. 22		
Vancouver	Detroit	7:00 pm
Monday, Oct. 23		
Los Angeles	Toronto	7:00 pm
San Jose	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 24		
Detroit	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Arizona	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Carolina	7:00 pm
Florida	Montreal	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Calgary	Nashville	8:00 pm
Vancouver	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Dallas	Colorado	9:00 pm
Chicago	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 25		
Buffalo	Columbus	8:00 pm
Calgary	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Thursday, Oct. 26		
San Jose	Boston	7:00 pm
Carolina	Toronto	7:00 pm
Arizona	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Montreal	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Detroit	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Anaheim	Florida	7:30 pm
NY Islanders	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Dallas	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Washington	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Friday, Oct. 27		
Colorado	Vegas	6:00 pm
Ottawa	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Columbus	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Carolina	7:30 pm
Nashville	Chicago	8:30 pm
Dallas	Calgary	9:00 pm
Saturday, Oct. 28		
San Jose	Buffalo	1:00 pm
Los Angeles	Boston	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Toronto	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Montreal	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Detroit	Florida	7:00 pm
Arizona	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Columbus	St. Louis	8:00 pm
NY Islanders	Nashville	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Chicago	Colorado	9:00 pm
Washington	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Sunday, Oct. 29		
Anaheim	Carolina	5:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Washington	Calgary	9:00 pm
Monday, Oct. 30		
Vegas	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Arizona	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Boston	Columbus	7:00 pm
Montreal	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Tampa Bay	Florida	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Dallas	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Toronto	San Jose	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Oct. 31		
Vegas	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Arizona	Detroit	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Minnesota	8:00 pm

NOVEMBER

Visitor	Home	Time
Wednesday, Nov. 1		
Philadelphia	Chicago	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Edmonton	8:30 pm
New Jersey	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Toronto	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Nashville	San Jose	10:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 2		
Vegas	Boston	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Washington	7:00 pm
Detroit	Ottawa	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Columbus	Florida	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Montreal	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Dallas	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Carolina	Colorado	9:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Calgary	9:00 pm
Buffalo	Arizona	10:00 pm
Toronto	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 3		
New Jersey	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Nashville	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Nov. 4		
Vegas	Ottawa	2:00 pm
Washington	Boston	7:00 pm
Columbus	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Florida	7:00 pm
Colorado	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Toronto	St. Louis	7:00 pm
Montreal	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Dallas	8:00 pm
Chicago	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Carolina	Arizona	9:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Nashville	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Anaheim	San Jose	10:30 pm
Sunday, Nov. 5		
Detroit	Edmonton	4:00 pm
Colorado	NY Islanders	6:00 pm
Montreal	Chicago	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Calgary	9:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 6		
Minnesota	Boston	7:00 pm
Vegas	Toronto	7:00 pm
Columbus	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Arizona	Washington	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Dallas	8:30 pm
Detroit	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 7		
Washington	Buffalo	7:00 pm
St. Louis	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Edmonton	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Arizona	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Florida	Carolina	7:00 pm
Nashville	Columbus	7:00 pm
Vegas	Montreal	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Calgary	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 8		
Minnesota	Toronto	7:30 pm
Boston	NY Rangers	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	San Jose	10:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 9		
Edmonton	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Chicago	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Montreal	7:30 pm
Arizona	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Detroit	Calgary	9:00 pm
Vancouver	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 10		
Ottawa	Colorado	2:00 pm
Florida	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Boston	Toronto	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Washington	7:00 pm
Carolina	Columbus	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Dallas	8:30 pm
Winnipeg	Vegas	10:30 pm
Saturday, Nov. 11		
Colorado	Ottawa	1:00 pm
Edmonton	NY Rangers	1:00 pm
Toronto	Boston	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Montreal	7:00 pm
Columbus	Detroit	7:00 pm
Florida	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Chicago	Carolina	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Nashville	8:00 pm
Winnipeg	Arizona	10:00 pm
Vancouver	San Jose	10:00 pm
Sunday, Nov. 12		
Edmonton	Washington	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Chicago	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Anaheim	8:00 pm
San Jose	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Monday, Nov. 13		
Dallas	Carolina	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Calgary	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 14		
Buffalo	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Columbus	Montreal	7:30 pm
Dallas	Florida	7:30 pm
Washington	Nashville	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Arizona	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Vegas	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Vancouver	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 15		
Calgary	Detroit	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Chicago	8:00 pm
Boston	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Nov. 16		
New Jersey	Toronto	7:00 pm
Carolina	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Arizona	Montreal	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Dallas	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Nashville	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Washington	Colorado	9:00 pm
St. Louis	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Vegas	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Boston	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Florida	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 17		
NY Rangers	Columbus	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Detroit	7:30 pm
Saturday, Nov. 18		
Calgary	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Arizona	Ottawa	2:00 pm
Edmonton	Dallas	2:00 pm
New Jersey	Winnipeg	3:00 pm
Florida	Los Angeles	4:00 pm
Carolina	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Toronto	Montreal	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Chicago	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Washington	7:30 pm
Colorado	Nashville	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Boston	San Jose	10:30 pm
Sunday, Nov. 19		
NY Islanders	Carolina	5:00 pm
Colorado	Detroit	6:00 pm
Ottawa	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Vegas	8:00 pm
Florida	Anaheim	8:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 20		
Columbus	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Arizona	Toronto	7:00 pm
Calgary	Washington	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Nashville	8:00 pm
New Jersey	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Anaheim	San Jose	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 21		
Vancouver	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Edmonton	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Montreal	Dallas	8:30 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 22		
Minnesota	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Detroit	7:00 pm
Toronto	Florida	7:00 pm
Boston	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Vancouver	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Washington	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Carolina	7:00 pm
Calgary	Columbus	7:00 pm
Chicago	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Montreal	Nashville	8:00 pm
Dallas	Colorado	9:00 pm
San Jose	Arizona	9:00 pm
Vegas	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Winnipeg	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Nov. 24		
Pittsburgh	Boston	1:00 pm
NY Islanders	Philadelphia	4:00 pm
Colorado	Minnesota	4:00 pm
Winnipeg	Anaheim	4:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Washington	5:00 pm
Edmonton	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Vancouver	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Detroit	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Columbus	7:00 pm
Toronto	Carolina	7:30 pm
Nashville	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Calgary	Dallas	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Arizona	9:00 pm
San Jose	Vegas	10:00 pm
Saturday, Nov. 25		
Washington	Toronto	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Montreal	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Ottawa	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Detroit	7:00 pm

Visitor	Home	Time
Chicago	Florida	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Minnesota	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Vegas	Arizona	8:00 pm
Calgary	Colorado	10:00 pm
Winnipeg	San Jose	10:00 pm
Anaheim	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Sunday, Nov. 26		
Nashville	Carolina	1:00 pm
Vancouver	NY Rangers	2:00 pm
Edmonton	Boston	5:00 pm
Monday, Nov. 27		
Florida	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Columbus	Montreal	7:30 pm
Minnesota	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Chicago	8:30 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 28		
Tampa Bay	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Vancouver	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Florida	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
San Jose	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Carolina	Columbus	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Detroit	7:30 pm
Chicago	Nashville	8:00 pm
Toronto	Calgary	9:00 pm
Arizona	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Dallas	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 29		
Tampa Bay	Boston	7:30 pm
Ottawa	Montreal	7:30 pm
Anaheim	St. Louis	9:00 pm
Winnipeg	Colorado	9:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 30		
Los Angeles	Washington	7:00 pm
Montreal	Detroit	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Nashville	8:00 pm
Vegas	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Dallas	Chicago	8:30 pm
Arizona	Calgary	9:00 pm
Toronto	Edmonton	9:00 pm

DECEMBER

Friday, Dec. 1		
Pittsburgh	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Ottawa	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Carolina	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Columbus	7:00 pm
San Jose	Florida	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Vegas	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
New Jersey	Colorado	9:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 2		
Boston	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
St. Louis	Minnesota	6:00 pm
Detroit	Montreal	7:00 pm
San Jose	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Columbus	Washington	7:00 pm
Toronto	Vancouver	7:00 pm
Florida	Carolina	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Nashville	8:00 pm
New Jersey	Arizona	8:00 pm
Chicago	Dallas	9:00 pm
Edmonton	Calgary	10:00 pm
Sunday, Dec. 3		
Los Angeles	Chicago	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Dallas	Colorado	8:00 pm
Arizona	Vegas	8:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 4		
San Jose	Washington	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Florida	7:30 pm
Boston	Nashville	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Calgary	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 5		
NY Rangers	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Columbus	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Montreal	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Detroit	7:30 pm
NY Islanders	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Nashville	Dallas	8:30 pm
Buffalo	Colorado	9:00 pm
Carolina	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Anaheim	Vegas	10:00 pm
Minnesota	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 6		
Calgary	Toronto	7:30 pm
Chicago	Washington	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Edmonton	9:30 pm
Ottawa	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 7		
Arizona	Boston	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Calgary	Montreal	7:30 pm
Colorado	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Florida	7:30 pm
Dallas	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Ottawa	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Carolina	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 8		
Columbus	New Jersey	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Washington	7:00 pm
Vegas	Nashville	8:00 pm
Buffalo	Chicago	8:30 pm
Minnesota	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 9		
St. Louis	Detroit	3:00 pm
NY Islanders	Boston	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Montreal	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Colorado	Florida	7:00 pm
New Jersey	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Toronto	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Arizona	Columbus	7:00 pm
Vegas	Dallas	8:00 pm
Vancouver	Calgary	10:00 pm
Ottawa	San Jose	10:00 pm
Carolina	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Sunday, Dec. 10		
Edmonton	Toronto	7:00 pm
Arizona	Chicago	7:00 pm
Buffalo	St. Louis	7:00 pm
Minnesota	San Jose	9:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 11		
Washington	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Dallas	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Colorado	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Florida	Detroit	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Carolina	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 12		
Ottawa	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Toronto	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Colorado	Washington	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Columbus	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Calgary	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Florida	Chicago	8:30 pm
Carolina	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 13		
NY Rangers	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Dallas	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Boston	Detroit	8:00 pm
Nashville	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 14		
Washington	Boston	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Columbus	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Montreal	7:30 pm
Anaheim	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Toronto	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Chicago	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Florida	Colorado	9:00 pm
San Jose	Calgary	9:00 pm
Nashville	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Arizona	9:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Vegas	10:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 15		
Carolina	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Dallas	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Toronto	Detroit	7:30 pm
San Jose	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 16		
Edmonton	Minnesota	2:00 pm
NY Rangers	Boston	5:00 pm
Montreal	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Dallas	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	St. Louis	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Washington	7:30 pm
Columbus	Carolina	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Arizona	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Colorado	9:00 pm
Nashville	Calgary	10:00 pm
Sunday, Dec. 17		
St. Louis	Winnipeg	6:00 pm
Minnesota	Chicago	7:00 pm
Calgary	Vancouver	8:00 pm
Florida	Vegas	8:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 18		
Columbus	Boston	7:00 pm
Anaheim	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Colorado	9:00 pm
San Jose	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 19		
Carolina	Toronto	2:00 pm
Boston	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Detroit	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Anaheim	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Nashville	8:00 pm
Washington	Dallas	8:30 pm
Florida	Arizona	9:00 pm
Montreal	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 20		
Toronto	Columbus	7:30 pm
Detroit	Philadelphia	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Calgary	9:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 21		
Winnipeg	Boston	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Anaheim	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Columbus	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Carolina	Nashville	8:00 pm
Chicago	Dallas	8:30 pm
St. Louis	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Colorado	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Vancouver	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 22		
Philadelphia	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Florida	7:30 pm
Montreal	Calgary	9:00 pm
Washington	Arizona	9:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 23		
Detroit	Boston	1:00 pm
Winnipeg	NY Islanders	1:00 pm
Minnesota	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Florida	7:00 pm
Chicago	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Toronto	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Carolina	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Columbus	7:00 pm
Montreal	Edmonton	7:00 pm
Nashville	Dallas	8:00 pm
Colorado	Arizona	8:00 pm
Washington	Vegas	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Los Angeles	San Jose	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 27		
Ottawa	Boston	7:00 pm
Detroit	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Buffalo	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Washington	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Columbus	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Montreal	Carolina	7:00 pm
Nashville	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Dallas	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Arizona	Colorado	9:00 pm
Vegas	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 28		
Boston	Washington	7:00 pm
Montreal	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Florida	7:30 pm
Toronto	Arizona	9:00 pm
Chicago	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Vegas	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Calgary	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 29		
Buffalo	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Columbus	Ottawa	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Detroit	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Carolina	7:30 pm
Nashville	Minnesota	8:00 pm
NY Islanders	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Dallas	8:30 pm
Toronto	Colorado	9:00 pm
Chicago	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Calgary	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 30		
Boston	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Montreal	Florida	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Washington	7:00 pm
Carolina	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Nashville	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Sunday, Dec. 31		
Toronto	Vegas	3:30 pm
Arizona	Anaheim	4:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Columbus	6:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Detroit	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Edmonton	7:00 pm
San Jose	Dallas	8:00 pm
NY Islanders	Colorado	8:00 pm
Chicago	Calgary	9:00 pm

JANUARY

Monday, Jan. 1		
NY Rangers	Buffalo	1:00 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 2		
Tampa Bay	Toronto	7:00 pm
Boston	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Washington	Carolina	7:00 pm
San Jose	Montreal	7:30 pm
New Jersey	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Florida	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Columbus	Dallas	8:30 pm
Winnipeg	Colorado	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Anaheim	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Nashville	Vegas	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 3		
Ottawa	Detroit	7:30 pm
Chicago	NY Rangers	8:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 4		
Florida	Boston	7:00 pm
San Jose	Toronto	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Carolina	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Montreal	7:30 pm
Vegas	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Buffalo	Minnesota	8:00 pm
New Jersey	Dallas	8:30 pm
Columbus	Colorado	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Calgary	9:00 pm
Anaheim	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Nashville	Arizona	9:00 pm
Friday, Jan. 5		
Pittsburgh	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
San Jose	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Florida	Detroit	7:30 pm
Buffalo	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Vegas	Chicago	8:30 pm
Saturday, Jan. 6		
St. Louis	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Edmonton	Dallas	3:00 pm
Minnesota	Colorado	3:00 pm
Carolina	Boston	7:00 pm
Vancouver	Toronto	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Ottawa	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Arizona	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Calgary	10:00 pm
Nashville	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Sunday, Jan. 7		
New Jersey	NY Islanders	1:00 pm
Buffalo	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
St. Louis	Washington	3:00 pm
Edmonton	Chicago	3:00 pm
San Jose	Winnipeg	3:00 pm
Florida	Columbus	5:00 pm
Vancouver	Montreal	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Detroit	7:00 pm
Boston	Pittsburgh	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Vegas	9:30 pm
Monday, Jan. 8		
Columbus	Toronto	7:00 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 9		
Winnipeg	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Vancouver	Washington	7:00 pm
Chicago	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Carolina	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Florida	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Nashville	8:00 pm
Calgary	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 10		
Ottawa	Toronto	7:30 pm
Minnesota	Chicago	8:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 11		
Columbus	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Carolina	Washington	7:00 pm
Calgary	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Friday, Jan. 12		
Vancouver	Columbus	7:00 pm
Calgary	Florida	7:30 pm
Washington	Carolina	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Chicago	8:30 pm
Edmonton	Arizona	9:00 pm
Saturday, Jan. 13		
NY Islanders	NY Rangers	1:00 pm
Detroit	Pittsburgh	1:00 pm
Boston	Montreal	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Minnesota	7:00 pm
Colorado	Dallas	9:00 pm
Edmonton	Vegas	10:00 pm
Anaheim	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Arizona	San Jose	10:30 pm
Sunday, Jan. 14		
NY Rangers	Pittsburgh	12:30 pm
Calgary	Carolina	3:00 pm
Detroit	Chicago	7:00 pm
Vancouver	Minnesota	7:00 pm
Monday, Jan. 15		
Dallas	Boston	1:00 pm
Anaheim	Colorado	3:00 pm
San Jose	Los Angeles	4:00 pm
NY Islanders	Montreal	7:30 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 16		
St. Louis	Toronto	7:00 pm
New Jersey	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Dallas	Detroit	7:30 pm
Vegas	Nashville	8:00 pm
San Jose	Arizona	9:00 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 17		
Montreal	Boston	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 18		
Washington	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Boston	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Buffalo	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Toronto	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Dallas	Columbus	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Vegas	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Arizona	Nashville	8:00 pm
San Jose	Colorado	9:00 pm

Visitor	Home	Time
Pittsburgh	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Jan. 19		
Vegas	Florida	7:30 pm
Montreal	Washington	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Jan. 20		
Dallas	Buffalo	1:00 pm
New Jersey	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
NY Rangers	Colorado	3:00 pm
Winnipeg	Calgary	3:00 pm
Boston	Montreal	7:00 pm
Toronto	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Carolina	Detroit	7:00 pm
Arizona	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Florida	Nashville	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	San Jose	8:00 pm
NY Islanders	Chicago	8:30 pm
Tampa Bay	Minnesota	9:00 pm
Vancouver	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Sunday, Jan. 21		
Philadelphia	Washington	12:30 pm
Vegas	Carolina	5:00 pm
Vancouver	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
San Jose	Anaheim	9:00 pm
NY Rangers	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Monday, Jan. 22		
Colorado	Toronto	7:00 pm
Detroit	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Chicago	8:30 pm
Buffalo	Calgary	9:00 pm
NY Islanders	Arizona	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 23		
New Jersey	Boston	7:00 pm
Carolina	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Colorado	Montreal	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Detroit	7:30 pm
Ottawa	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Nashville	8:00 pm
Florida	Dallas	8:30 pm
Buffalo	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Columbus	Vegas	10:00 pm
NY Rangers	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Winnipeg	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 24		
Toronto	Chicago	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Calgary	10:00 pm
Thursday, Jan. 25		
Nashville	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Carolina	Montreal	7:30 pm
Boston	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Chicago	Detroit	7:30 pm
Washington	Florida	7:30 pm
Colorado	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Toronto	Dallas	8:30 pm
Calgary	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Columbus	Arizona	9:00 pm
Buffalo	Vancouver	10:00 pm
NY Islanders	Vegas	10:00 pm
Winnipeg	Anaheim	10:00 pm
NY Rangers	San Jose	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Jan. 30		
Anaheim	Boston	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Florida	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
San Jose	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Carolina	7:00 pm
Minnesota	Columbus	7:00 pm
Montreal	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Chicago	Nashville	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Dallas	8:30 pm
Vegas	Calgary	9:00 pm
Colorado	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Jan. 31		
NY Islanders	Toronto	7:30 pm
San Jose	Detroit	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Washington	8:00 pm

FEBRUARY

Visitor	Home	Time
Thursday, Feb. 1		
St. Louis	Boston	7:00 pm
Florida	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Toronto	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Montreal	Carolina	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	Nashville	8:00 pm
Vegas	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Calgary	9:00 pm
Colorado	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Dallas	Arizona	9:00 pm
Chicago	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Friday, Feb. 2		
Washington	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Detroit	Carolina	7:00 pm
San Jose	Columbus	7:00 pm
Vegas	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Saturday, Feb. 3		
Anaheim	Montreal	1:00 pm
Ottawa	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Toronto	Boston	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Detroit	Florida	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Columbus	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Colorado	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Nashville	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Dallas	8:00 pm
Chicago	Calgary	10:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Arizona	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Sunday, Feb. 4		
Vegas	Washington	12:30 pm
Ottawa	Montreal	1:00 pm
San Jose	Carolina	1:00 pm
Monday, Feb. 5		
Anaheim	Toronto	7:00 pm
Nashville	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Dallas	8:30 pm
Tampa Bay	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 6		
Anaheim	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Vegas	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Carolina	7:00 pm
Washington	Columbus	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Boston	Detroit	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Florida	7:30 pm
Minnesota	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Arizona	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Calgary	Chicago	8:30 pm
San Jose	Colorado	9:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 7		
Nashville	Toronto	7:30 pm
Boston	NY Rangers	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Thursday, Feb. 8		
NY Islanders	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Calgary	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Montreal	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Nashville	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Colorado	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Arizona	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Dallas	Chicago	8:30 pm
Vegas	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Feb. 9		
Detroit	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Calgary	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Columbus	Washington	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Florida	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Carolina	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Dallas	8:30 pm
Edmonton	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Feb. 10		
Buffalo	Boston	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Toronto	7:00 pm
Nashville	Montreal	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Colorado	Carolina	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Columbus	7:00 pm
Chicago	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Arizona	8:00 pm
Edmonton	San Jose	10:00 pm
Sunday, Feb. 11		
Detroit	Washington	3:00 pm
Pittsburgh	St. Louis	3:00 pm
NY Rangers	Winnipeg	3:00 pm
Vancouver	Dallas	4:00 pm
Colorado	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Boston	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Calgary	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Vegas	8:00 pm
San Jose	Anaheim	8:00 pm
Monday, Feb. 12		
Tampa Bay	Toronto	7:00 pm
Florida	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Chicago	Arizona	9:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 13		
Calgary	Boston	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Columbus	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Carolina	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Detroit	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Nashville	8:00 pm
NY Rangers	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Washington	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Chicago	Vegas	10:00 pm
Arizona	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 14		
Columbus	Toronto	7:00 pm
Montreal	Colorado	9:30 pm
Florida	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Thursday, Feb. 15		
Carolina	New Jersey	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Los Angeles	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Detroit	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Calgary	Nashville	8:00 pm
Washington	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Chicago	8:30 pm
Montreal	Arizona	9:00 pm
Edmonton	Vegas	10:00 pm
Vancouver	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Feb. 16		
Philadelphia	Columbus	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Carolina	7:30 pm
Colorado	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Dallas	8:30 pm
Saturday, Feb. 17		
Los Angeles	Buffalo	1:00 pm
NY Rangers	Ottawa	2:00 pm
Anaheim	Minnesota	2:00 pm
Edmonton	Arizona	4:00 pm
New Jersey	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Toronto	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Montreal	Vegas	7:00 pm
Detroit	Nashville	8:00 pm
Washington	Chicago	8:30 pm
Florida	Calgary	10:00 pm
Boston	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Sunday, Feb. 18		
Philadelphia	NY Rangers	1:00 pm
Edmonton	Colorado	3:00 pm
New Jersey	Carolina	5:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Columbus	6:00 pm
Toronto	Detroit	7:00 pm
Florida	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Dallas	San Jose	8:00 pm
Monday, Feb. 19		
Minnesota	NY Islanders	1:00 pm
Washington	Buffalo	3:00 pm
Boston	Calgary	4:00 pm
Ottawa	Nashville	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Chicago	8:30 pm
Anaheim	Vegas	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 20		
Florida	Toronto	7:00 pm
Columbus	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Montreal	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Washington	7:00 pm
Nashville	Detroit	7:30 pm
San Jose	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Boston	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Colorado	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 21		
Ottawa	Chicago	8:00 pm
Dallas	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Calgary	Vegas	10:30 pm
Thursday, Feb. 22		
NY Islanders	Toronto	7:00 pm
Minnesota	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Columbus	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Montreal	7:30 pm
Tampa Bay	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Buffalo	Detroit	7:30 pm
Washington	Florida	7:30 pm
San Jose	Nashville	8:00 pm
Colorado	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Calgary	Arizona	9:00 pm
Dallas	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Feb. 23		
Minnesota	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Carolina	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	St. Louis	8:00 pm
San Jose	Chicago	8:30 pm
Vancouver	Vegas	10:30 pm
Saturday, Feb. 24		
Philadelphia	Ottawa	2:00 pm
Colorado	Calgary	4:00 pm
Boston	Toronto	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Montreal	7:00 pm
Carolina	Detroit	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Florida	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Washington	7:00 pm
Chicago	Columbus	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Dallas	7:00 pm
Anaheim	Arizona	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Los Angeles	10:00 pm
Sunday, Feb. 25		
Boston	Buffalo	5:00 pm
St. Louis	Nashville	6:00 pm
Detroit	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
San Jose	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Anaheim	8:00 pm
Vancouver	Arizona	9:30 pm
Monday, Feb. 26		
Washington	Columbus	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Montreal	7:30 pm
Toronto	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Colorado	9:00 pm
Vegas	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Feb. 27		
Carolina	Boston	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Washington	7:00 pm
Toronto	Florida	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Nashville	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Calgary	Dallas	8:30 pm
Los Angeles	Vegas	10:00 pm
Edmonton	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Feb. 28		
NY Islanders	Montreal	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Detroit	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Calgary	Colorado	9:30 pm
NY Rangers	Vancouver	10:00 pm

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Visitor	Home	Time
Thursday, Mar. 1		
Pittsburgh	Boston	7:00 pm
Carolina	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Florida	7:30 pm
Tampa Bay	Dallas	8:30 pm
Nashville	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Minnesota	Arizona	9:00 pm
Columbus	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Chicago	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 2		
Montreal	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Florida	7:30 pm
New Jersey	Carolina	7:30 pm
Detroit	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Colorado	9:00 pm
NY Rangers	Calgary	9:00 pm
Nashville	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Ottawa	Vegas	10:00 pm
Columbus	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Mar. 3		
Philadelphia	Tampa Bay	1:00 pm
St. Louis	Dallas	2:00 pm
Chicago	Los Angeles	4:00 pm
Montreal	Boston	5:00 pm
NY Islanders	Pittsburgh	5:00 pm
Toronto	Washington	8:00 pm
Ottawa	Arizona	8:00 pm
NY Rangers	Edmonton	10:30 pm
Sunday, Mar. 4		
Philadelphia	Florida	3:00 pm
Nashville	Colorado	3:00 pm
Chicago	Anaheim	4:00 pm
Vegas	New Jersey	5:00 pm
Winnipeg	Carolina	7:00 pm
Detroit	Minnesota	7:30 pm
Columbus	San Jose	9:00 pm
Monday, Mar. 5		
Toronto	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Calgary	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Dallas	8:30 pm
Arizona	Edmonton	9:00 pm
NY Islanders	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 6		
Detroit	Boston	7:00 pm
Montreal	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Vegas	Columbus	7:00 pm
Florida	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Dallas	Nashville	8:00 pm
Carolina	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Colorado	Chicago	8:30 pm
Washington	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Mar. 7		
Calgary	Buffalo	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Philadelphia	8:00 pm
Arizona	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Thursday, Mar. 8		
Philadelphia	Boston	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Colorado	Columbus	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Vegas	Detroit	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Montreal	Florida	7:30 pm
Anaheim	Nashville	8:00 pm
Carolina	Chicago	8:30 pm
NY Islanders	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Washington	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
St. Louis	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 9		
Detroit	Columbus	7:00 pm
Calgary	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Anaheim	Dallas	8:30 pm
Minnesota	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Saturday, Mar. 10		
Chicago	Boston	1:00 pm
Vegas	Buffalo	1:00 pm
Montreal	Tampa Bay	1:00 pm
Winnipeg	Philadelphia	1:00 pm
Arizona	Colorado	3:00 pm
St. Louis	Los Angeles	4:00 pm
Washington	San Jose	4:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Toronto	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Florida	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Nashville	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Edmonton	10:00 pm

Visitor	Home	Time
Sunday, Mar. 11		
Boston	Chicago	12:30 pm
NY Islanders	Calgary	7:00 pm
Dallas	Pittsburgh	7:30 pm
Vancouver	Arizona	9:00 pm
Monday, Mar. 12		
Carolina	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Vegas	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Washington	7:00 pm
Montreal	Columbus	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Florida	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Vancouver	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Detroit	San Jose	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 13		
Boston	Carolina	7:00 pm
Dallas	Montreal	7:30 pm
Ottawa	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Winnipeg	Nashville	8:00 pm
Colorado	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Calgary	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Arizona	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Mar. 14		
Dallas	Toronto	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	NY Rangers	8:00 pm
San Jose	Edmonton	9:30 pm
New Jersey	Vegas	10:00 pm
Vancouver	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Mar. 15		
Toronto	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Washington	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Columbus	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Montreal	7:30 pm
Boston	Florida	7:30 pm
Colorado	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Chicago	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Nashville	Arizona	10:00 pm
Detroit	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 16		
NY Islanders	Washington	7:00 pm
Dallas	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Nashville	Colorado	9:00 pm
San Jose	Calgary	9:00 pm
Detroit	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Minnesota	Vegas	10:30 pm
Saturday, Mar. 17		
Chicago	Buffalo	1:00 pm
Edmonton	Florida	2:00 pm
New Jersey	Los Angeles	4:00 pm
Montreal	Toronto	7:00 pm
Boston	Tampa Bay	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	Carolina	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Columbus	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Arizona	9:00 pm
San Jose	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Sunday, Mar. 18		
Detroit	Colorado	3:00 pm
Calgary	Vegas	4:00 pm
Edmonton	Tampa Bay	5:00 pm
Carolina	NY Islanders	5:00 pm
Washington	Philadelphia	5:00 pm
St. Louis	Chicago	7:30 pm
Dallas	Winnipeg	7:30 pm
New Jersey	Anaheim	9:00 pm
Monday, Mar. 19		
Columbus	Boston	7:00 pm
Nashville	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Florida	Montreal	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Calgary	Arizona	10:00 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 20		
Pittsburgh	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Columbus	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Dallas	Washington	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Carolina	7:00 pm
Florida	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Philadelphia	Detroit	7:30 pm
Toronto	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Los Angeles	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Colorado	Chicago	8:30 pm
Vancouver	Vegas	10:00 pm
New Jersey	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Mar. 21		
Arizona	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Montreal	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Boston	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Calgary	9:30 pm
Thursday, Mar. 22		
Tampa Bay	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Arizona	Carolina	7:00 pm
Florida	Columbus	7:00 pm
Edmonton	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Washington	Detroit	7:30 pm
Toronto	Nashville	8:00 pm
Vancouver	Chicago	8:30 pm
Los Angeles	Colorado	9:00 pm
Vegas	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 23		
Montreal	Buffalo	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Vancouver	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Anaheim	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Boston	Dallas	8:30 pm
Saturday, Mar. 24		
Vegas	Colorado	3:00 pm
Calgary	San Jose	4:00 pm
Detroit	Toronto	7:00 pm
Washington	Montreal	7:00 pm
Carolina	Ottawa	7:00 pm
Arizona	Florida	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Chicago	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Buffalo	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
St. Louis	Columbus	7:00 pm
Nashville	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Los Angeles	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Sunday, Mar. 25		
Philadelphia	Pittsburgh	12:30 pm
Vancouver	Dallas	7:00 pm
Nashville	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Boston	Minnesota	7:30 pm
Anaheim	Edmonton	9:30 pm
Monday, Mar. 26		
Buffalo	Toronto	7:00 pm
Florida	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Washington	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Ottawa	Carolina	7:00 pm
Detroit	Montreal	7:30 pm
Arizona	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
San Jose	Chicago	8:30 pm
Colorado	Vegas	10:00 pm
Calgary	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Mar. 27		
Carolina	New Jersey	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Pittsburgh	Detroit	7:30 pm
San Jose	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Nashville	8:00 pm
Boston	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Dallas	8:30 pm
Columbus	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Anaheim	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Wednesday, Mar. 28		
Florida	Toronto	7:30 pm
NY Rangers	Washington	8:00 pm
Philadelphia	Colorado	10:00 pm
Arizona	Vegas	10:00 pm
Thursday, Mar. 29		
Tampa Bay	Boston	7:00 pm
Detroit	Buffalo	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Florida	Ottawa	7:30 pm
San Jose	Nashville	8:00 pm
Dallas	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Winnipeg	Chicago	8:30 pm
Columbus	Calgary	9:00 pm
Edmonton	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Arizona	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Friday, Mar. 30		
Toronto	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	NY Rangers	7:00 pm
Carolina	Washington	7:00 pm
Chicago	Colorado	9:00 pm
Los Angeles	Anaheim	10:00 pm
St. Louis	Vegas	10:30 pm
Saturday, Mar. 31		
Florida	Boston	1:00 pm
Ottawa	Detroit	2:00 pm
Columbus	Vancouver	4:00 pm
Winnipeg	Toronto	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Montreal	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	Carolina	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Nashville	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Dallas	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Arizona	9:00 pm
Edmonton	Calgary	10:00 pm
San Jose	Vegas	10:30 pm
APRIL		
Sunday, Apr. 1		
Boston	Philadelphia	12:30 pm
Nashville	Tampa Bay	6:00 pm
New Jersey	Montreal	7:00 pm
Washington	Pittsburgh	7:30 pm
Colorado	Anaheim	9:00 pm
Monday, Apr. 2		
Buffalo	Toronto	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Ottawa	7:30 pm
Carolina	Florida	7:30 pm
Washington	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Edmonton	Minnesota	8:00 pm
Colorado	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Tuesday, Apr. 3		
NY Rangers	New Jersey	7:00 pm
Philadelphia	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Detroit	Columbus	7:00 pm
Winnipeg	Montreal	7:30 pm
Boston	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
Nashville	Florida	7:30 pm
Arizona	Calgary	9:00 pm
Vegas	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Dallas	San Jose	10:30 pm
Wednesday, Apr. 4		
Ottawa	Buffalo	7:30 pm
Chicago	St. Louis	8:00 pm
Minnesota	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Thursday, Apr. 5		
Toronto	New Jersey	7:00 pm
NY Rangers	NY Islanders	7:00 pm
Carolina	Philadelphia	7:00 pm
Nashville	Washington	7:00 pm
Pittsburgh	Columbus	7:00 pm
Montreal	Detroit	7:30 pm
Boston	Florida	7:30 pm
Calgary	Winnipeg	8:00 pm
Vegas	Edmonton	9:00 pm
Arizona	Vancouver	10:00 pm
Minnesota	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Colorado	San Jose	10:30 pm
Friday, Apr. 6		
Ottawa	Pittsburgh	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Tampa Bay	7:30 pm
St. Louis	Chicago	8:30 pm
Dallas	Anaheim	10:00 pm
Saturday, Apr. 7		
NY Rangers	Philadelphia	3:00 pm
Ottawa	Boston	7:00 pm
Montreal	Toronto	7:00 pm
NY Islanders	Detroit	7:00 pm
Buffalo	Florida	7:00 pm
New Jersey	Washington	7:00 pm
Tampa Bay	Carolina	7:00 pm
Chicago	Winnipeg	7:00 pm
Columbus	Nashville	8:00 pm
St. Louis	Colorado	9:00 pm
Anaheim	Arizona	9:00 pm
Vegas	Calgary	10:00 pm
Vancouver	Edmonton	10:00 pm
Dallas	Los Angeles	10:30 pm
Minnesota	San Jose	10:30 pm

UNRESTRICTED FREE AGENTS

Several players hadn't signed as of late July. Here are the most prominent UFAs, listed alphabetically by position with date of birth, last year's team(s) and stats.

DEFENSEMEN		2016-17	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM
Francois Beauchemin	06/4/80	Colorado	81	5	13	18	32
Marc-Andre Bergeron	10/13/80	Cleveland (AHL)	22	5	8	13	8
Will Butcher	1/6/95	Denver (NCHC)	43	7	30	37	18
Tim Erixon	2/24/91	WB/Scranton (AHL)	54	4	13	17	24
Cody Franson	8/8/87	Buffalo	68	3	16	19	34
Mark Fraser	9/29/86	Bakersfield (AHL)	65	3	3	6	79
Eric Gelinas	5/8/91	Colorado	27	0	1	1	12
Cody Goloubef	11/30/89	Colorado	33	0	5	5	25
Brandon Gormley	2/18/92	Alb/Bing (AHL)	52	4	11	15	42
Matt Greene	05/13/83	Los Angeles	26	1	1	2	19
Nate Guenin	12/10/82	San Diego (AHL)	56	2	10	12	28
Jyrki Jokipakka	8/20/91	Cgy/Ott	41	1	5	6	12
Jakub Kindl	2/10/87	Florida	39	0	4	4	28
Michael Kostka	11/28/85	Bing/Stk (AHL)	61	3	21	24	36
John-Michael Liles	11/25/80	Boston	36	0	5	5	4
Zbynek Michalek	12/23/82	Tucson (AHL)	43	6	8	14	32
Adam Pardy	3/29/84	Milwaukee (AHL)	31	3	4	7	20
Roman Polak	4/28/86	Toronto	75	4	7	11	65
Nate Prosser	5/7/86	Minnesota	39	2	5	7	12
Nick Schultz	8/25/82	Philadelphia	28	0	4	4	10
Jeff Schultz	2/25/86	San Diego (AHL)	65	0	15	15	18
Rob Scuderi	12/30/78	Ontario (AHL)	15	0	3	3	4
Fedor Tyutin	7/19/83	Colorado	69	1	12	13	38
Mike Weber	12/16/87	Iowa (AHL)	56	1	7	8	92
Dennis Wideman	3/20/83	Calgary	57	5	13	18	32
CENTERS		**2016-17**	**GP**	**G**	**A**	**PTS**	**PIM**
Matt Cullen	11/2/76	Pittsburgh	72	13	18	31	30
Vernon Fiddler	5/9/80	NJ/Nas	59	2	2	4	66
Mike Fisher	6/5/80	Nashville	72	18	24	42	55
Stephen Gionta	10/9/83	NY Islanders	26	1	5	6	2
Boyd Gordon	10/19/83	Philadelphia	13	1	0	1	2
Chris Kelly	11/11/80	Ottawa	82	5	7	12	23
Brooks Laich	6/23/83	Toronto (AHL)	27	1	8	9	12
Jay McClement	3/2/83	Carolina	65	5	3	8	18
John Mitchell	1/22/85	Colorado	65	3	4	7	45
Jim O'Brien	1/29/89	San Antonio (AHL)	53	9	15	24	42
Mike Ribeiro	2/10/80	Nashville	46	4	21	25	14
LEFT WINGERS		**2016-17**	**GP**	**G**	**A**	**PTS**	**PIM**
Eric Boulton	8/17/76	Bridgeport (AHL)	2	0	1	1	0
Jordan Caron	11/2/90	Chicago (AHL)	57	5	20	25	47
Ryan Carter	8/3/83	Iowa (AHL)	18	1	2	3	25
Joseph Cramarossa	10/26/92	Ana/Van	59	4	6	10	60
Andrew Desjardins	7/27/86	Chicago	46	0	1	1	22
Bobby Farnham	1/21/89	St. John's (AHL)	71	11	17	28	137
Tanner Glass	11/29/83	Hartford (AHL)	57	6	9	15	86
Matt Hendricks	6/17/81	Edmonton	42	4	3	7	29
Quinton Howden	1/21/92	Manitoba (AHL)	58	13	11	24	10
Dwight King	7/5/89	LA/Mtl	80	9	7	16	12
Lauri Korpikoski	7/28/86	Dal/CBJ	69	8	12	20	10
P-L Letourneau-Leblond	6/4/85	Syr/Tor (AHL)	38	1	4	5	128
Brandon Mashinter	9/20/88	Rockford (AHL)	61	15	15	30	70
Drew Miller	2/17/84	Detroit	55	5	2	7	18
Jeremy Morin	4/16/91	Syr/Tuc (AHL)	63	16	14	30	45
Andrej Nestrasil	2/22/91	Charlotte (AHL)	39	5	9	14	6
Scottie Upshall	10/7/83	St. Louis	73	10	8	18	45
Chris VandeVelde	3/15/87	Philadelphia	81	6	9	15	16
Thomas Vanek	1/19/84	Det/Fla	68	17	31	48	22
Daniel Winnik	3/6/85	Washington	72	12	13	25	49
Harry Zolnierczyk	9/1/87	Nashville	24	2	2	4	10
RIGHT WINGERS		**2016-17**	**GP**	**G**	**A**	**PTS**	**PIM**
Rene Bourque	12/10/81	Colorado	65	12	6	18	56
Alex Chiasson	10/1/90	Calgary	81	12	12	24	46
Shane Doan	10/10/76	Arizona	74	6	21	27	48
Justin Fontaine	11/6/87	Hfd/Bak (AHL)	65	11	30	41	26
Brian Gionta	1/18/79	Buffalo	82	15	20	35	22
Jimmy Hayes	11/21/89	Boston	58	2	3	5	29
Jiri Hudler	1/4/84	Dallas	32	3	8	11	4
Jarome Iginla	7/1/77	Col/LA	80	14	13	27	70
Jaromir Jagr	2/15/72	Florida	82	16	30	46	56
Milan Michalek	12/7/84	Toronto (AHL)	16	2	3	5	20
Chris Neil	6/18/79	Ottawa	53	1	3	4	63
P-A Parenteau	3/24/83	NJ/Nas	67	13	15	28	35
Teddy Purcell	9/8/85	Ontario (AHL)	38	10	28	38	2
Borna Rendulic	3/25/92	Utica (AHL)	69	12	11	23	30
Jack Skille	5/19/87	Vancouver	55	5	4	9	12
Drew Stafford	10/30/85	Wpg/Bos	58	8	13	21	24
Christian Thomas	5/26/92	Hershey (AHL)	65	24	25	49	6
Ryan White	3/17/88	Ari/Min	65	9	7	16	84

STOP SLASHING AT THE SOURCE

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Huddle up, gentlemen. I've got something to say: If you players really want to curb this ridiculous outbreak of slashing hands, take the bold move and do it yourselves

AN OPEN LETTER TO ALL NHL PLAYERS:

Hey guys. Hope you enjoyed your summer vacations. Hey, I noticed a good number of you got hitched, which is great. We married guys can always use big, strong fellows like yourselves on the oars.

You may not have noticed what came out of the GM meetings during the NHL draft in June. Can't blame you if you didn't. If you were playing in the Stanley Cup final, you were probably a little too focused to care about it, and if you weren't, you were probably off touring around Europe or getting married or something.

So we'll get you up to speed. The league's GMs, hockey guys through and through, are concerned about the epidemic of slashing to the hands that has broken out over the past couple of seasons. Not enough to urge the league to crack down on the rules that appear in the NHL Rulebook. You know the one, it's 61.1 and it's on page 86 and it says, "*Any forceful or powerful chop with the stick on an opponent's body, the opponent's stick, or on or near the opponent's hands that, in the judgment of the referee, is not an attempt to play the puck, shall be penalized as slashing.*" But there is concern nonetheless. In fact, NHL director of hockey operations Colin Campbell went as far as to say, "There is some appetite to reducing slashing to the hands."

Strong words, eh? Gives you the impression they'll do something about it. But here's the thing. They talked about maybe someday doing something about perhaps calling penalties when a slash gets too close to the hands. They talk about these kinds of things a lot. Campbell actually said the league would have to educate players and referees on what is acceptable and what isn't when it comes to slashing. (Hey, how about none of it?) We're going to go out on a limb here and assume that you guys know what is a slash and what isn't. Campbell even said that one GM opined there may have been so many slashes to the hands because players might be concerned about taking a slashing penalty by breaking an opponent's stick. So they hit the hands instead. Seriously, we can't make this stuff up.

What we also can't make up is that nobody really knows when slashing is going to be called and when it's not. The league reported at that meeting that it broke down the number of slashes in four NHL playoff games, the Memorial Cup final and the NCAA title game and found a low of 60 slashes and a high of 110 in those games. "We showed them 10, we showed them fast motion and slow motion and we asked their input on that play, penalty or not a penalty?" Campbell said. "And we didn't get a feel of the room. My gut feel on this is if you slash any place around the hands, it should be a penalty." Like we said, you know, the way it says in the rulebook.

SO WE'RE ASKING FOR YOU GUYS TO BE THE ONES WHO DRIVE THIS AGENDA. IF YOU WANT THIS GARBAGE TO STOP, YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THE LEAD

It's apparent the only things this league can be clear and definitive on is that it really, really hates diving and it doesn't want to go to the Olympics. So we're asking for you guys, the players, to be the ones who drive this agenda. Take a look at the Sidney Crosby slash on Marc Methot that almost severed Methot's finger and gave him what he said was the worst injury of his career. Casual slash. Nothing terribly malicious about it, one that happens between 60 and 110 times a game. So of course there was no call. Take a look at the one that ended up breaking Johnny Gaudreau's finger and knocked him out of the Calgary Flames' lineup for 10 games. No call on that one, either. Or the 20 previous slashes Gaudreau received in that game.

So here's the deal. If you want this garbage to stop, you're going to have to take the lead here. We get that it's a competitive game and part of the DNA of a hockey player is to get away with as much as you're able. But here's the thing, guys. You go on and on about 'The Code,' whatever the heck that is, as something that should never, ever be broken. Well, shouldn't it be in 'The Code' that you don't go around slashing each other on the hands? You guys insist that fighting be part of the game because it allows players to police themselves, but why not use that same sense of integrity to police your own behavior?

You know it's wrong. You also know that good, honest players, the ones who "play the game the right way," use smarts and speed and body positioning to stop their opponents from scoring or to take the puck away from them. And you've seen when things like the Methot or Gaudreau injuries happen, enablers of all kinds come out of the woodwork and blame defective equipment and short-cuff gloves.

And deep down, you know it's all a bunch of hooey. The league is going to ruminate on this and talk about it and ruminate on it some more. In the meantime, the hacks and whacks will keep coming. Only you can make it stop. Only you can fix this.

Yours truly,

Ken Campbell
The Hockey News

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